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MANCHURIA.

Agreement in Paris.

Unanimous Vote on Resolution.

RESERVED POINTS.

Paris, Dec. 10.
M. Briand opened the proceedings at to-day's public meeting of the League Council at 4.32 p.m. General Dawes, the American representative, was not present despite the general expectation.
After introductory remarks, M. Briand called upon Mr. Yoshizawa, the Japanese delegate, for a statement.
Mr. Yoshizawa's Thanks.
Mr. Yoshizawa expressed thanks to the Councilors for their courtesy in complying with his request to adjourn the meeting, after the reading of the Council's resolution, till to-day, and also the gratitude and sincere appreciation of the Japanese Government for the efforts displayed.
In the Manchuria situation, he said, there were special circumstances making the question difficult, namely, the distance from Europe and the diversity of interests engaged.
He announced that the Japanese Government were willing to accept the League's resolution.
The Council, he said, had dealt with the question at issue in a spirit of conciliation, goodwill and patience. Thanks to the

TOKYO POLITICAL CRISIS.

CABINET EXPECTED TO RESIGN.

Tokyo, Dec. 11.
The Asahi and the Yomiuri report that the Cabinet has decided to resign, though confirmation to-day is generally anticipated.—*Reuter*.
fact manifested, a draft resolution had been drawn up which offered the best means of a settlement.
A Reservation.
The Japanese Government had, therefore, instructed him to accept the resolution, on the understanding that paragraph Two would not prevent the Japanese military from taking action in defence of the lives and property of their nationals, against bandits and other lawless elements in Manchuria.
Dr. Alfred Sze, the Chinese representative, followed Mr. Yoshizawa, delivering a long statement embodying eight points.
He said the Chinese Government intended to discharge in good faith every obligation assumed in agreeing to the resolution as interpreted by M. Briand.
The arrangements being practical and designed to meet the pending emergency, it was therefore necessary, in the interest of complete understanding, to record certain observations and reservations in principle.
Carried Unanimously.
Lord Cecil (Britain) following Dr. Sze, expressed thanks to the Council's Chinese and Japanese colleagues for accepting the resolution, after which M. Briand submitted it to formal vote. It was carried unanimously.
The resolution was adopted within 38 minutes of the opening of the session.
General Discussion.
The remaining period was spent in a general discussion. M. Briand said that the American participation in the deliberations of the Council had been a marked feature of the Manchurian dispute. He hoped they would always show a constant and parallel interest in collaboration.

CONFIDENCE IN BRITAIN'S FUTURE.

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Definite decisions to put this plan into effect were recently reached by the directors of the Company, after consideration of alternative proposals.

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Details of the project were outlined to a *Telegraph* representative by Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Secretary of the Company, in the course of an interview, when it was explained that the scheme makes provision for 116 rooms in all, of which 76 will be single. A feature will be that each room will be equipped with a bathroom, with hot and cold water.

Open to Public.
Provision is also being made for a restaurant, a bar and a ten lounge, while there will also be a private dining room, which residents may book for special parties should they so desire.

The restaurant, which will be situated on the eighth floor, will be fitted with a special spring dance floor, and, as in the case of the ten lounge, it will be open to use by the public.

Roof Rendezvous.
A further point of interest is that there will be access to the roof, from which a very fine view is obtainable, and it is expected that this will be a very popular rendezvous in the hot months of the summer.

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HINKLER'S FINE FLIGHT.

KING SENDS MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATION.

London, Dec. 10.
H. M. the King has sent a message of congratulation to Squadron Leader Hinkler on his outstandingly successful flight across the South Atlantic.—*British Wireless*.

Kowloon Ladies in Motor Accident.

Austin Mounts Embankment and Comes to Rest on Hood.

Mrs. Moon, of No. 1, Cambay Buildings, and Mrs. Fisher, wife of Captain Fisher, of Jordan House, Kowloon, were the victims of an alarming motor accident on the Castle Peak Road yesterday afternoon.
An Austin saloon which Mrs. Moon was driving mounted the embankment of a new road and completely overturned, coming to rest on its hood.
Both ladies suffered from severe shock as a result of the accident and were unable to extricate themselves, and it was not until Sergeant Goodwin, of the Shamshupo Police Station, came along, shortly afterwards, that the unfortunate ladies were released.
Both Mrs. Moon and Mrs. Fisher were rushed to the Kowloon Hospital where it was found that beyond the nervous shock neither had suffered injury. Mrs. Fisher was, however, detained. Her condition is not serious.
The accident occurred along the reclamation near Cheung Sha Wan where a new road is in the course of construction.



President Zamora, elected by an overwhelming majority.

Spain's First President.

SENOR ZAMORA ELECTED.

Madrid, Dec. 10.
Senor Zañhoy, who recently resigned the Premiership to mark his opposition to the Cortes' anti-religious policy, has been elected first President of the new Spanish Republic.
Senor Zamora polled three hundred and sixty-two votes out of 410 cast by the Cortes.
He is elected for a period of six years.—*Reuter*.

BURMA CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

RECEIVED BY THEIR MAJESTIES.

London, Dec. 10.
The King and Queen to-day received the delegates to the Burma Round Table Conference at Buckingham Palace.
Lord Peel, Chairman of the Conference, introduced the delegates to Their Majesties.—*British Wireless*.

GERMAN SILVER MINTAGE.

REICHSRAT APPROVE SCHEME.

Berlin, Dec. 10.
The Reichsrat have approved the scheme for the minting of twenty million five-mark silver pieces. German silver coins are 500 fine and the amount of the white metal needed for the minting will be approximately 9,000,000 ounces.—*Reuter*.

CHANNEL GALE.

SHIP FEARED LOST WITH ALL HANDS.

Rotterdam, Dec. 7.
An extensive search by several tugboats failed to reveal any trace of the Spanish cargo steamer *Manu*, which was caught in the heavy gale which raged in the Channel last night. Distress signals from the vessel had been picked up yesterday afternoon when she was off the Dutch coast and the tugs went out immediately to her assistance. It is now feared that the ship with her crew of 35 has gone down.

Montreux, Dec. 7.

Mr. Gandhi arrived here yesterday morning coming from Paris. He was met at the station by writers Roman Roland, Edmond Privat, and by a huge crowd which had gathered at the station.

STABILISATION OF STERLING.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN'S STRIKING SPEECH.

THE BUDGET OUTLOOK.

GREAT BRITAIN remains the greatest creditor nation in the world.

When world conditions have settled down, sterling will resume its place as the principal standard of international credit.

The stabilisation of the pound will be effected when the moment is propitious, but at what figure, it would be folly to hint.

These were the striking features of a peroration by Mr. Neville Chamberlain in the House of Commons last night when the debate was resumed on the Labour motion of censure. The speech was loudly cheered, and the motion, when submitted to the vote, was defeated by 439 votes to 44.

Mr. Chamberlain, who is Chancellor of the Exchequer, denied that there was any reason to fear a serious deficit in the Budget this year, and still less, next year. There was every reason to suppose that the Government would be able to meet all its obligations out of current annual revenue and simultaneously make substantial provision for debt redemption.

PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES.

London, Dec. 10.
The debate on the Labour censure motion was resumed after a very full question time, during which one hundred and sixty questions received oral answers.
To-morrow, after the debate on the adjournment, the House will rise for the Christmas recess and will reassemble on February 2.
The Prime Minister announced this afternoon, however, that the adjournment motion would give power to the Speaker to call the House together earlier if public interests required it.

Government's Policy.

An important statement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, on the Government's policy in regard to currency and exchange problems, was the feature of the resumed debate on the Labour censure motion.
Mr. Chamberlain said that although the present situation was not altogether satisfactory, he did not regard the recent fall in the exchange value of the pound with serious apprehension.

War Debts and Reparations.

It was easier to see an unsatisfactory state of things than to decide upon the remedy, but there was one question which, it seemed to him, might, if wisely handled, have a greater effect than anything else in restoring confidence, the lack of which was the basic cause of international financial troubles, namely, a settlement of the reparations and war debt question.

Internal Value.

The Government, Mr. Chamberlain said, would pursue its policy of maintaining as steadily as possible the internal purchasing power of the pound.
He had every reason to suppose that they would be able to meet all their obligations out of current revenue and to make substantial provision for debt redemption.
The stability of sterling, Mr. Chamberlain continued, was essential to healthy trade throughout world.

It was not possible, for obvious reasons, to say now at what time or at what level they might ultimately stabilise the pound but it was their declared object to effect its stabilisation at the earliest possible moment.

The Government's long-term policy for the correction of the adverse balance of trade was under consideration, and he hoped to make a statement early next year.

France Defended.

There had, no doubt, been some withdrawal of foreign balances in London but he wished to contradict reports that withdrawals had been made by the French Government.
The Report, he thought, would be followed by a meeting of Governments, which he earnestly hoped would succeed in reaching some arrangement and restoring confidence in Germany's ability to meet her commercial obligations.
This would thaw out the ice jam in international affairs.
Rumours Denounced.
The Chancellor took occasion to denounce the rumour which he said were in circulation abroad, that the depreciation of sterling was a voluntary and deliberate act for the purpose of stimulating British exports.
There was no truth whatever in that suggestion.
They had done their best to

SOVIET TRADE SCANDAL.

TRUST LEADERS ARRESTED.

IMMENSE LOSS INVOLVED.

Riga, Dec. 10.
A considerable sensation has been caused by the arrest of many prominent Soviet citizens in connexion with an alleged industrial scandal of considerable magnitude.

Those taken into custody by the Soviet police include twelve Chairmen of the State Trusts.

The arrests were made following a secret investigation into the affairs of Controsyus, the central body which forms the unity between the Consumers' Co-operative Societies and the principal Trading Trusts.

It is stated that colossal losses to the State are involved, besides a shortage of food and clothing for the masses.

It is expected that there will be a rapid and impressive trial.—*Reuter*.

EVERYTHING UP.

SILVER, DOLLAR AND POUND.

Although there is a slight improvement in the London-New York cross-rate, which has risen to 3.30, silver has also advanced both in London and New York, with the result that the Hongkong dollar has appreciated a farthing, the demand rate on opening being 1s. 6.9/16d.

Silver rose in London 7/16ths. The Continent was a small buyer, and there were small offerings, the market being quiet. After the official fixing, the market ruled dull, America not showing much interest.

In New York, there was a rise of 3/8ths, from 29 1/2 to 29 7/8. The market closed steady.

Shanghai is quite steady at 1s. 11.13/16d, and 1s. 11.7/8d, as also is Hongkong at 1s. 5.13/16d, and 1s. 5.7/8d.

London advices suggest the probability of a further improvement in the cross-rate.

INDIA POLICY APPROVED.

CLOSE OF DEBATE IN LORDS.

London, Dec. 10.
The House of Lords, after a three days' debate, to-day approved the Government's India policy, as outlined in the Prime Minister's statement concluding the Round Table Conference.

A motion by Lord Middleton for an adjournment of the debate in order to allow fuller time for consideration was rejected by 100 votes to 68.—*Reuter*.

Government or the Bank of France. Franco had left her balances undisturbed.

Others had removed their balances; probably less through want of confidence in Britain than by reason of a desire to have liquid resources available in the uncertain state of their own countries.

It is certain, said Mr. Chamberlain, that those foreigners who have been taking their funds away at the present level of the pound and thereby increasing their losses, will very much regret it some day when they find, as I am confident they will find, that their action was totally unnecessary.

Although at the moment we may have some difficulty with our foreign debts, still we remain the greatest creditor nation in the world. When world conditions settle down, I have not the slightest doubt we shall find sterling remaining its place as the principal standard in international credit.—*British Wireless and Reuter*.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TRIBUTES TO SIR SHOUSON CHOW.

SHING MUN SCHEME.

The retirement from his position as an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of Sir Shouson Chow formed the subject of valdictory speeches by His Excellency the Governor.

After Mr. T. N. Chan had taken the Oath of Allegiance as an Unofficial Member of the Council, in place of the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, who has retired, His Excellency said:

Honourable Members: Since we last met in this Chamber, this Council has sustained a serious loss. Sir Shouson Chow had been a member for a period of ten years, having been appointed originally on the 2nd December, 1921, for six years, and re-appointed on the 2nd December, 1927, for four years. The Secretary of State has ruled that, except in special circumstances, a member shall not serve more than two terms. I should, however, have been ready to submit Sir Shouson's name for re-appointment, had he not expressed a wish, on account of age, not to seek re-appointment. His ripe wisdom, sage counsel, and his consistent loyalty at once to my predecessors and myself, the Government and the Colony, have been of immense value, and it is somewhat difficult to envisage this Council without him.

Council's Loss.

The loss, however, is somewhat tempered by the fact that he still remains a member of the Executive Council, having been re-appointed last July for a second period of five years. His advice and counsel will, therefore, I am glad to say, still be available to the Government.

Speaking personally, although we have not known one another for a very long period, a strong bond of personal friendship has been established between us for which I need hardly say I have the greatest regard, and I am happy to think that I shall continue to have the benefit of his advice and help.

I take this opportunity of welcoming Sir Henry Pollock back to the Council, and also of tendering a welcome to the new member.

Sir Henry Pollock.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Sir, I must begin by thanking you personally for welcoming me back to this Council.

As Senior Unofficial Member I desire to express my great regret, which I am sure is shared by all my Unofficial colleagues, at the retirement of Sir Shouson Chow from this Council.

The ten years during which my Honourable friend has sat in this Council have included periods of considerable anxiety and even difficulty, and I consider that not only this Council but the Colony are to be congratulated upon having had the benefit during those troublesome times of the ripe experience and sound judgment of Sir Shouson Chow.

Personally, I shall very much miss the assistance which has been freely given to me at all times of such an able, cheerful and loyal colleague, and I rejoice to think that the Colony and the Government will still retain the benefit of Sir Shouson Chow's services upon the Executive Council.

I take this opportunity of cordially welcoming the co-operation of the new Unofficial Member, the Honourable Mr. T. N. Chan whose father, the late Mr. Chau Siu Ki, was for a time a valued colleague of mine on this Council.

Hon. Mr. Kotewall's Tribute.

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall:—Sir, With the exception of the Honourable senior unofficial member, I have served with the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow on this Council for a longer period than has any other unofficial member. For the last eight years I have, I believe, associated with him in public work more closely and intimately than has any other individual in the Colony.

Not long after we began this happy collaboration, Sir Shouson humorously dubbed ourselves "The Twins". Although there is a gulf of about twenty years between us, I think that we are twins—in thought, purpose and ideal, in our endeavour to discharge the duties committed to us by the Government.

There have, inevitably, been divergences of opinion during such a long association in work of such a varied nature; but we have, in most cases, been able to reach conclusions which seemed to both of us to be best for the cause we served. For this successful team-work, by far the greater share of the credit must go to the older and senior man.

Loyal Colleague.

A more loyal colleague, and a wiser and plainer, it has not been my lot to work with. His unrivalled experience of large affairs and his sagacity and good sense have been of immense assistance to the Hon. Dr. T'o and myself in the consideration of the many difficult and intricate problems that have confronted us in recent years; while his refreshing humour and unfailing optimism have been, to many, a source of encouragement and stimulation.

Sir Shouson's retirement from this Council is, therefore, a grievous loss to us. Fortunately, Your Excellency, in your wisdom, has retained his service on the Executive Council, where his ripe experience will still be available for the benefit of the Colony which he serves so unostentatiously and so well.

I cordially join the Honourable senior unofficial member in his expression of welcome to the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chan, to whom the Hon. Dr. T'o and I pledge close and loyal co-operation.

Waterworks Expenditure.
The Colonial Secretary moved resolutions that the Council approved of the expenditure, during the financial year 1932, of the following sums: (1) \$411,789 on the Shing Mun Valley Water Supply Scheme First Section, (2) \$34,000 on the Kai Tak Aerodrome Hangar, (3) \$347,000 on the Aberdeen Valley Water Scheme, (4) \$20,000 on the filters in connexion with the Shing Mun Valley Water Supply.

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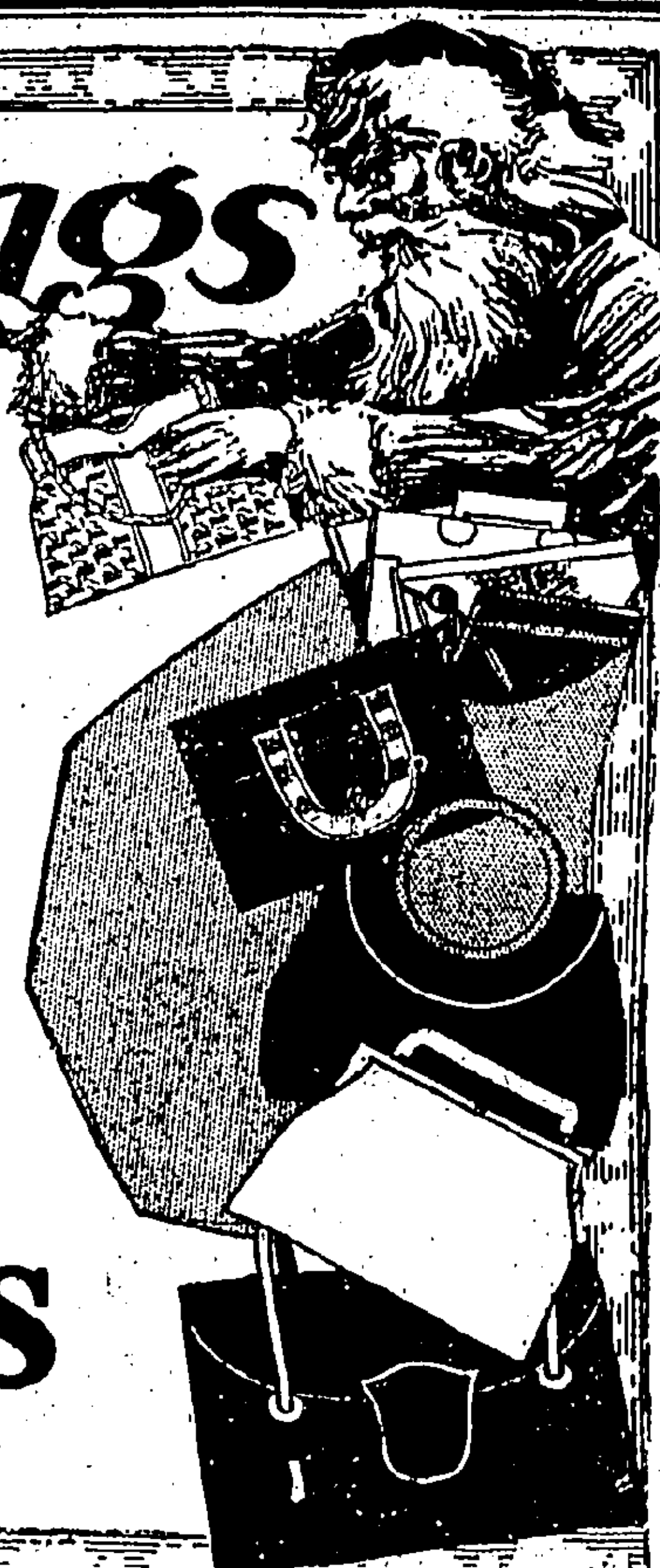
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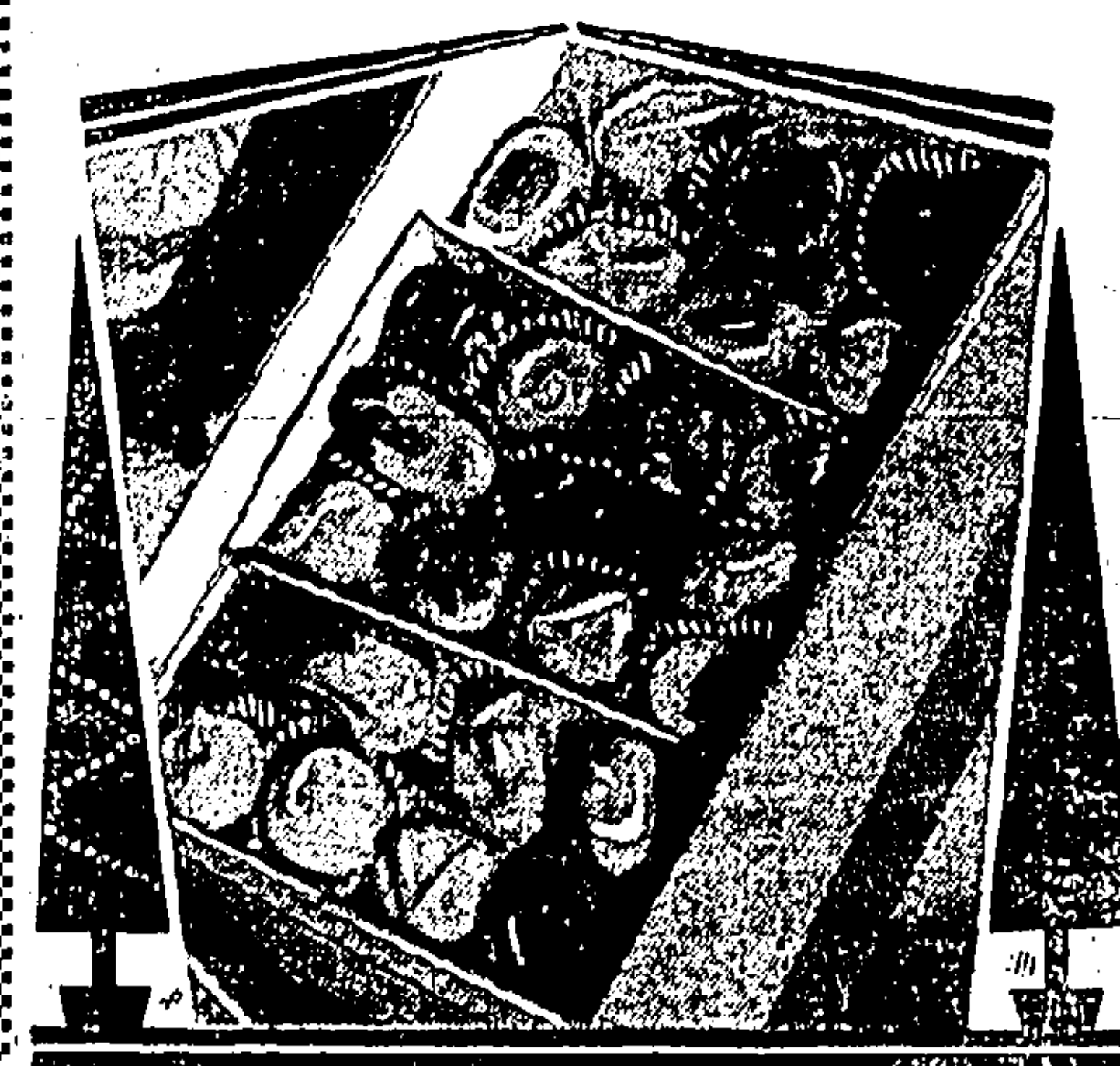
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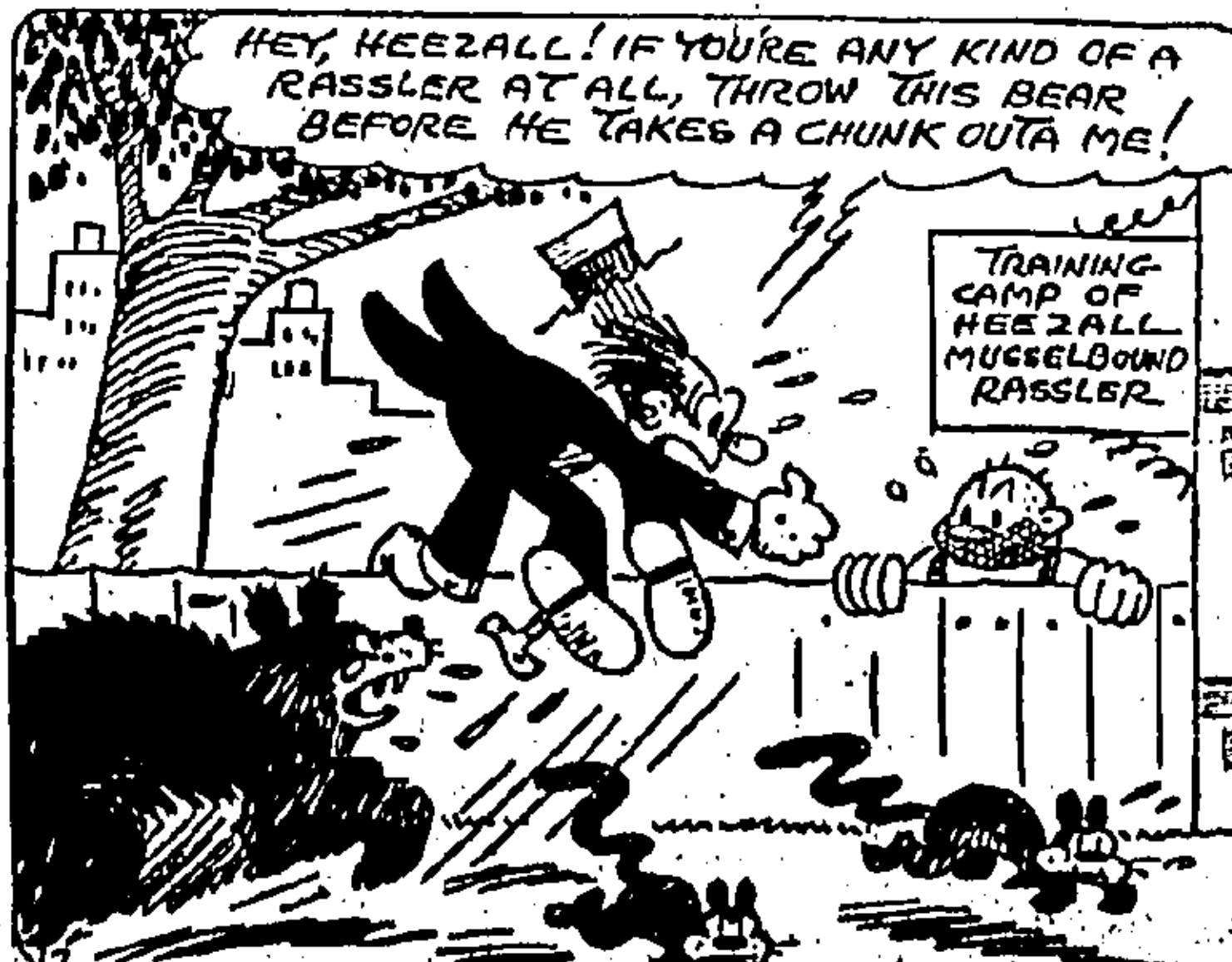
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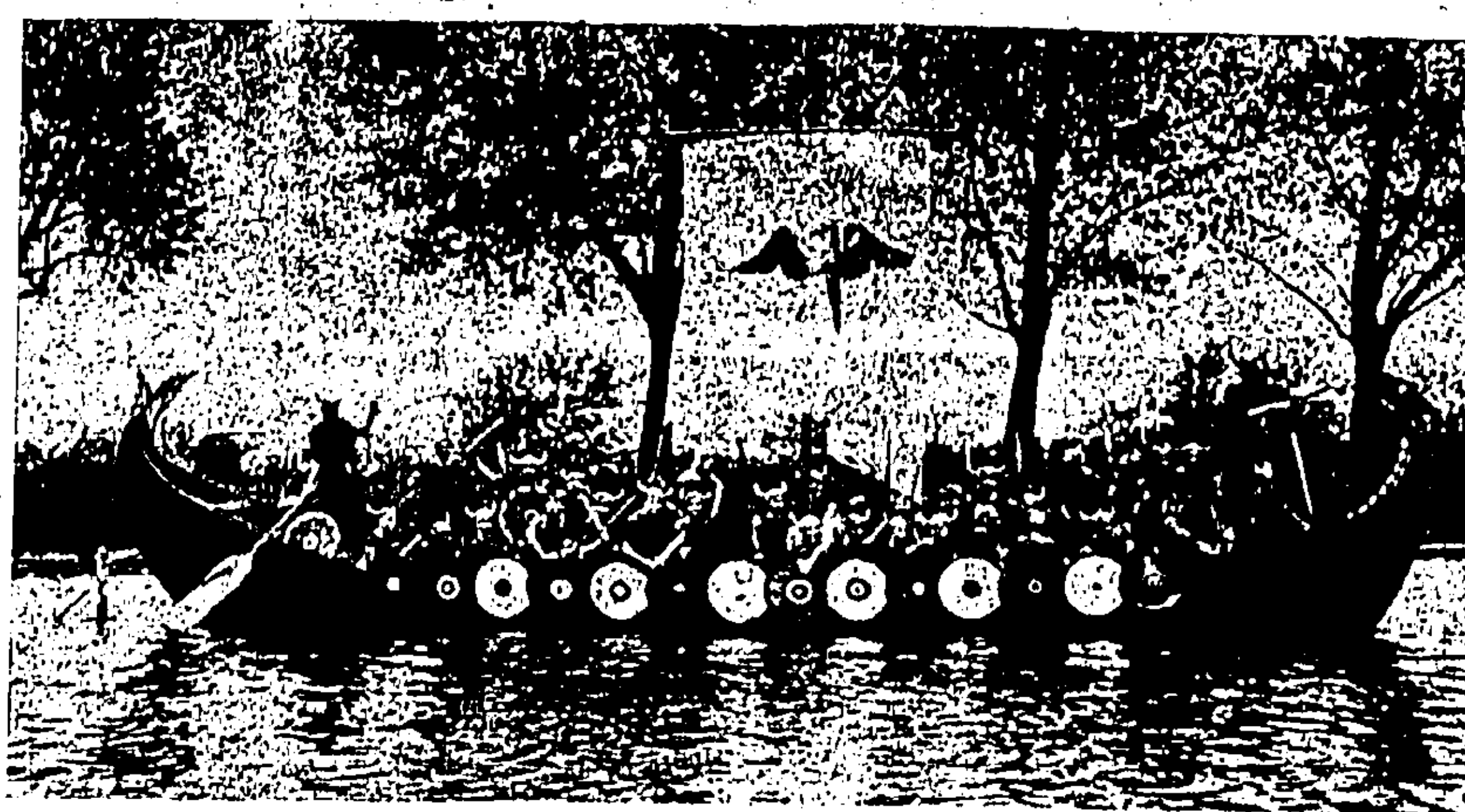
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Our picture shows one of the "Danish galleys" laden with fierce looking "invaders", which took part in the recent historical pageant, commemorating the landing of the Danes in England in 870 A. D. Prince George was among the hundreds of spectators.—(Copyright, Presse-Photo, Berlin).



Spectators came from all over England to witness the brilliant historical pageant, depicting the landing of the Danes on the East Coast. Our photo shows some of the landing performers in their costumes.—(Copyright, Presse-Photo, Berlin).

Gems of Peril

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Old Mrs. Jupiter, wife of the millionaire automobile manufacturer, gives an engaging dinner and dance for her secretary and protégé, Mary Harkness, who is to marry Dirk Doughty, son of a blue-blooded family.

Mary receives a telephone call from her stepmother, who tells her that the house is strictly guarded against "intruders" because Mrs. Jupiter is wearing the famous "Eddie" rubies.

Mary arranges for Eddie to be admitted secretly. When she goes upstairs to meet him she hears screams and then shots in Mrs. Jupiter's room.

CHAPTER II

Fearfully, as if drawn by a magnet, Mary moved slowly forward. Outside the closed door of Mr. Jupiter's sitting room she stopped, and called sharply, experimentally, "Eddie?" Then more loudly, "Eddie!" There was no reply.

Could it be Eddie in there? What would he be doing in Mrs. Jupiter's room? He had no business there unless the servants had directed him there in error, or had gone in there by mistake.

He hadn't said anything about bringing someone with him, though, and some other person was in there—the person he had been quarrelling with. Suddenly she remembered, and the realization stunned her. Mrs. Jupiter was in that room. Hadn't she gone upstairs to take her shoes off? It had been Mrs. Jupiter's voice she heard. Then whose—oh, dear God—whose hand had fired those shots?

Perhaps there hadn't been any. Her unbelieving mind was milling about desperately. Perhaps an automobile had buck-fired in the drive. But that was nonsense—the noise had been close, plain. You couldn't hear noise from the outside clearly in here, in this great heavy-walled house with the thickly shuttered windows.

The silence began to tear at her nerves. Gasping with excitement, she reached out suddenly and jerked open the door. The room was brightly lighted, but empty. She looked about, dumbfounded, almost ready to believe that her senses had tricked her.

Then she looked down—and there on the floor lay the crumpled figure of Mrs. Jupiter, the white hair away where the diamond head-dress had been ruthlessly snatched from it, the gold dress twisted about her knees, the poor wrinkled old face haggard but strangely peaceful under the searching glare of the lights. An old pair of felt house slippers covered her feet.

Her hands, barren now of rings, still clutched something which she held clasped tightly between the palms, still firmly grasped together on her breast. It was the ruby necklace.

But it was the spot in her forehead, just below the hairline, from which a slow ooze of blood trickled and ran redly down the temple into the snow white hair, that drew Mary's horrified gaze.

Her distended eyes took in the whole scene with photographic clarity before she realized its enormity. For the first time it occurred to her as she stared at the still, dishevelled figure, that Mrs. Jupiter was dead.

What had happened seemed quite clear—Mrs. Jupiter had been

robbed, but she had not given up the necklace. With her last breath the hind protected it; the coil of blood-red stones between her fingers testified to her success. The thief had not been able to get it away from her, but his baulked fury had cost her life.

A scream broke from the girl's lips, and without looking where she was going she backed away from the figure on the floor and stumbled through the first door that presented itself, the door into Mrs. Jupiter's bedroom. She closed the door and leaned against it, shaking, her knees nearly giving under her. She tried to collect her thoughts.

Suppose it had been money, then, that Eddie needed—

She ran from room to room, stumbling in her haste, opening doors, calling. There was no sign of disturbance in the other rooms. Her own door was open. If Eddie had been there, he had gone. She stood in the hall, looking from one blank door to another, calling, "Eddie-boy dear, where are you?" The silence seemed unnatural. She broke into helpless sobs.

Suddenly it came to her that what she had been thinking was simply fantastic. Eddie had had nothing to do with this. More than likely the poor boy had not even come yet. Something had happened to delay him. She looked at her wrist-watch. Twenty minutes had elapsed since his telephone call. She ran downstairs in feverish haste.

At the foot of the stairs she collided with Spence, who was just coming up. She grabbed him by the shoulders and held on while she tried to get control of her voice. "Oh, Spence! Spence! Go up to Mrs. Jupiter's room, quickly. Something's happened. She's hurt. I think she's—dead!"

The old servant held her off sternly, inspecting her reproachfully.

"You're excited and overwrought, Miss Mary. And no wonder, with all that's goin' on hereabouts to-night. A man can't hear his own thoughts," he added tartly, as an extemporaneous tap-dancing contest broke out behind them in the ballroom, "let alone knowing what he'll find when he turns a corner unexpected."

His thin nostrils quivered with disdain as his upturned gaze picked out the white blur of a girl's frock encircled by the black-clad arms of her escort, half hidden in a turn of the stair.

"I tell you it's true," Mary insisted. "I heard them, and I've seen her. Her rings are gone, and the tiara, and her forehead—oh, you'll see, if you'll just go on up!"

"Well, well, we'll see," he replied, testily, starting forward with obvious reluctance. "Indeed, I was just going up anyhow to answer Mrs. Jupiter's bell."

"Bell?"

"Mrs. Jupiter rang for me, Miss Mary, not two minutes ago. And would she be doing that if she were killed?"

With a reproachful lift of the eyebrows, he ascended. Mary, watching the matter-of-fact back moving upward so serenely, almost decided she must be mistaken. Murders and such don't happen where I am, that respectable back seemed to say.

What she wanted now was to find Bessie, but Bessie proved hard to find. Tracked to earth in the butler's pantry, munching marmosins and stuffed olives with blithe impartiality, Bessie slipped quickly down off the high stool she was perched on and confronted Mary sullenly.

Mary's white face and burning eyes, and the quiet, precise manner of her question, puzzled her. Scanting reproach, she took quick affront, after the manner of her kind.

"And how would I know who came in?" she retorted, pettily. "I suppose I've had nothing to do but listen for the doorbell, with all this racket going on?"

Bessie obviously was cut out for the life of the party, and her sulking was not unnatural. Relief surged up in Mary's heart. "Then you didn't let anybody in?"

"They let themselves in, if they came," the maid snapped. "I'd no time to be bouncing in and out of there. I just went and unlocked the side door when you told me, Miss, and left it open. If they came, they got in all right."

Mary drew a long breath. "Thank you, Bessie; it was her own, if it was anybody's. The side door was standing open as she passed. Nearly half an hour. Anybody might have come in, and gone out. Could it be possible? A half-crazed boy, and the sight of all those jewels—If he were desperately in need of money—But he would have waited. She had never failed to get him out of any of his scrapes before."

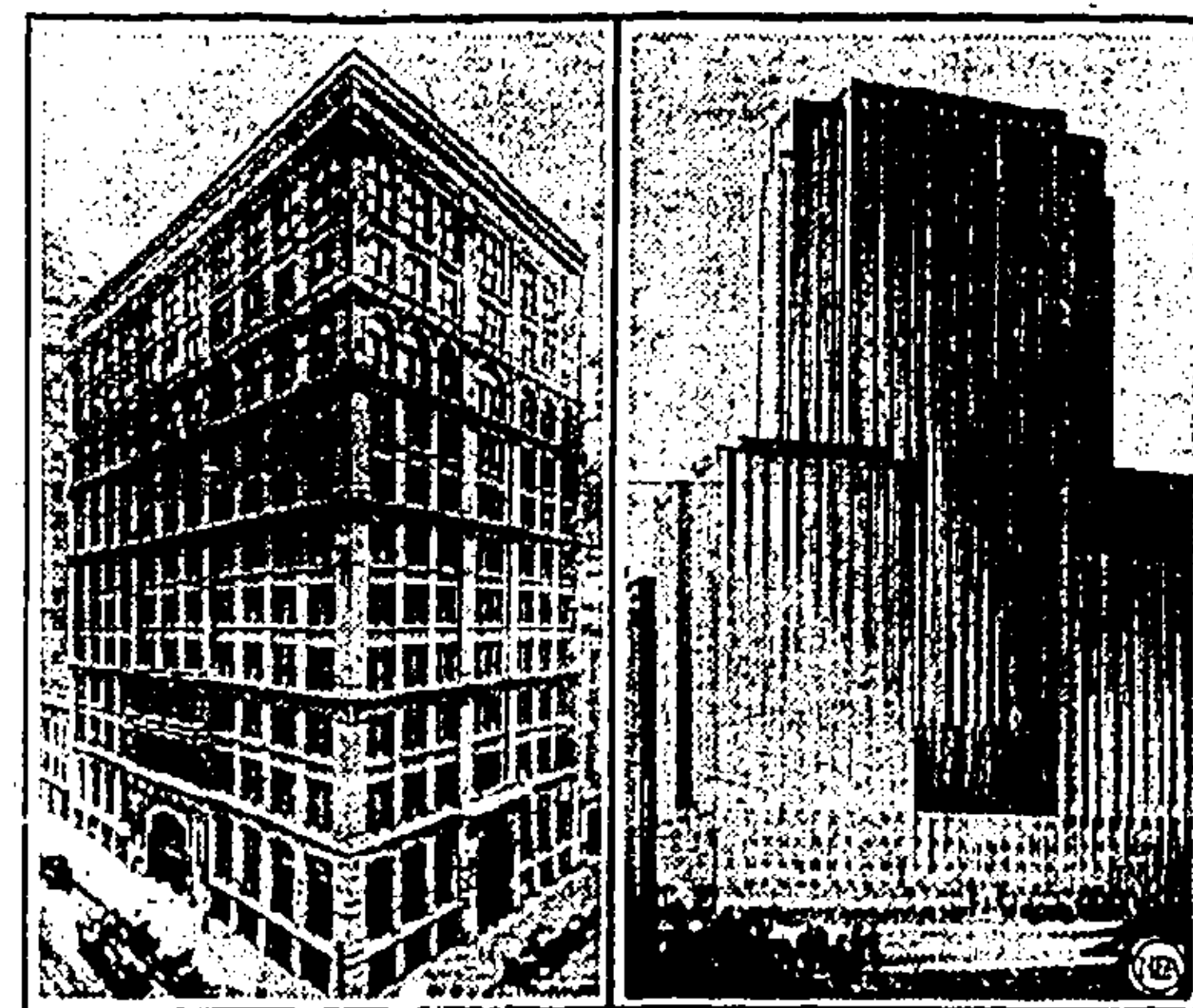
Mary closed the door and looked it again.

It seemed hours before Spence came down, and when he did he seemed to have forgotten that she lived. He seemed surprised that she was still standing in the same spot where he had left her.

"Well! What are you standing there for?" he barked as if she had been one of the servants. "Find the Master! Quick! And Barclay!" He snapped his fingers, and the second man came trotting post-haste.

"Go right across the street and fetch Dr. Jordan, and take him up to the mistress's room as fast as you can."

It was impossible not to obey; the old man as he cracked out commands like a drill-sergeant. Mary moved off, but stopped to



The 12-storey building on the left, built in Chicago 47 years ago and claimed to be the world's first skyscraper, will shortly give way to a 42-story one. An architect's drawing of the new structure, is shown at right. The old building was the first in which skeleton metal framework was used.

telephone Eddie. He shared a flat with two or three other young men, and because of them she had never visited him. His telephone number was the only definite link she had with him.

Someone answered, but it was not Eddie. Eddie was not there. Had not been there for three or four days.

"I know something is the matter," Mary told him—she was sure he was lying—"but I'm his sister. He called me about half an hour ago. It's very important. Don't you know where he is?"

It was quite hopeless. The boys were as worried as she was. Eddie seemed to have disappeared.

Mary put up the receiver slowly. She wanted to go somewhere and think, but she did not like to leave the telephone. Eddie might call again at any minute, and she wanted to be there.

The figure of Teddy Doughton lurched into the hallway. Teddy always pretended to be drunker than he was. It was part of his "line." He fancied himself as a comedian. Now he halted for a moment, as if he had something to say.

"We thought you'd eloped!" he chorled gaily. "Where's Dirk?" His puzzled gaze searched the dark corner in vain. Anything to get rid of him. Mary thought desperately.

"Listen, Ted," she said quickly. "Will you do something for me? He was compliant, but suspicious. Then go and find your host for me. He may be out in the drive

talking to the chauffeurs. Find him and bring him here, quick."

Teddy saluted elaborately. "I hear and obey." He turned himself around and started off, but suddenly stopped and clapped a hand to his head. "By the way, who is my host?"

Then he snapped his fingers. "Ah, I remember. Now don't go away, sweetheart—I'll be right back!"

He moved off, making exaggerated motions of search, lifting cushions, spanking draperies, and inspecting woodwork through a nonexistent magnifying glass. She had not really expected any help from the fool but his silliness seemed more than she could bear.

Suddenly she wanted Dirk terribly. He would know what to do. The ballroom was deserted as she crossed it and a babble of voices from the dining room told that supper was being served. Dirk and Cornelia were not there.

She went out on the terrace. Some dark corner would yield them, she felt sure. As she came out on the walk that led to the lower garden, the sound of voices below her arrested her attention.

Two figures were awaying together on the very lip of the lily-pool, the woman's white dress brightly silhouetted against the dark.

"I will! I will, too!" she was sobbing. "Let go of me, you brute!"

It was Cornelia, and the man whose dark corner she was spying with her flat as he held her firmly by the shoulders, was Dirk. (To be Continued).

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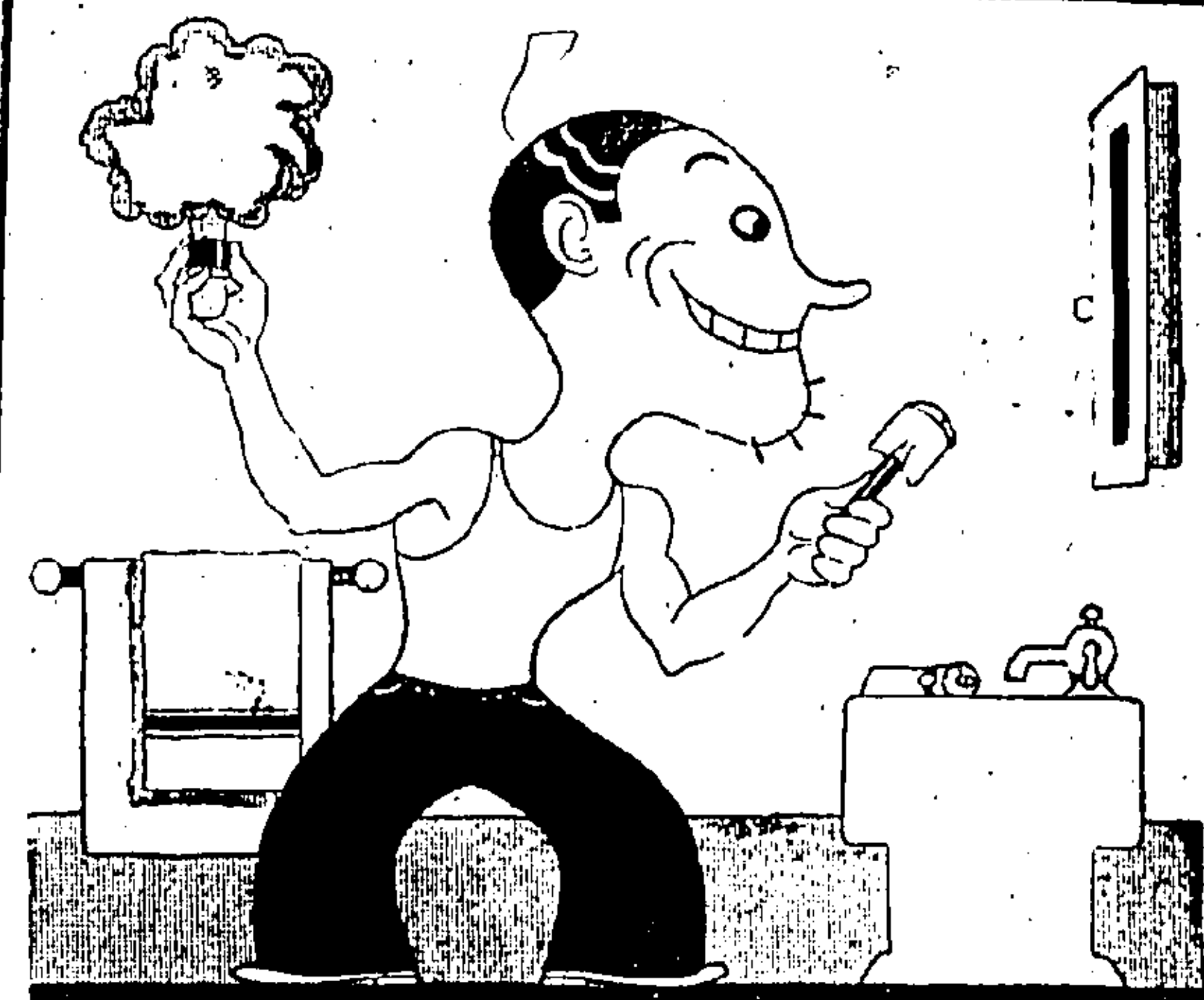
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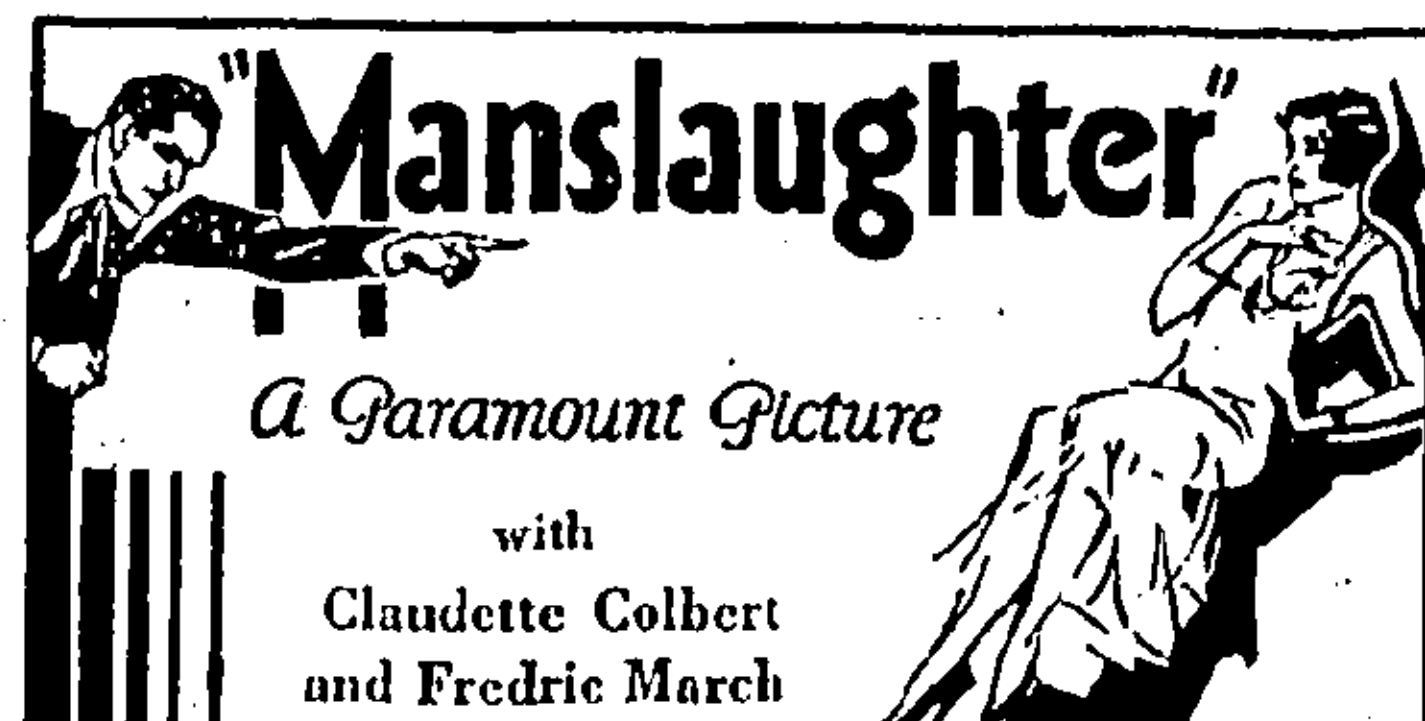
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UNRULY STUDENTS.

SHANGHAI MAYOR VIRTUAL
PRISONER.Shanghai, Dec. 10.
Mr. Chuan Chun, the Mayor of
Shanghai and a number of Chinese
Municipal employees are virtual
prisoners at the hands of students
who are infuriated by the arrest
of a comrade from Peking. The
students wrecked the local Kuomintang headquarters last night,
subsequently attacking the
Chinese Municipal building.Colonel Chen Hsi-tseng, whose
dismissal the students are
demanding, did not appear at
office this morning.Last night a body of students
wrecked the Chienju Station on
the Shanghai-Nanking Railway
owing to the refusal of the
station master to give them free
passage to Nanking.Students also cut the telegraph
and telephone wires. The

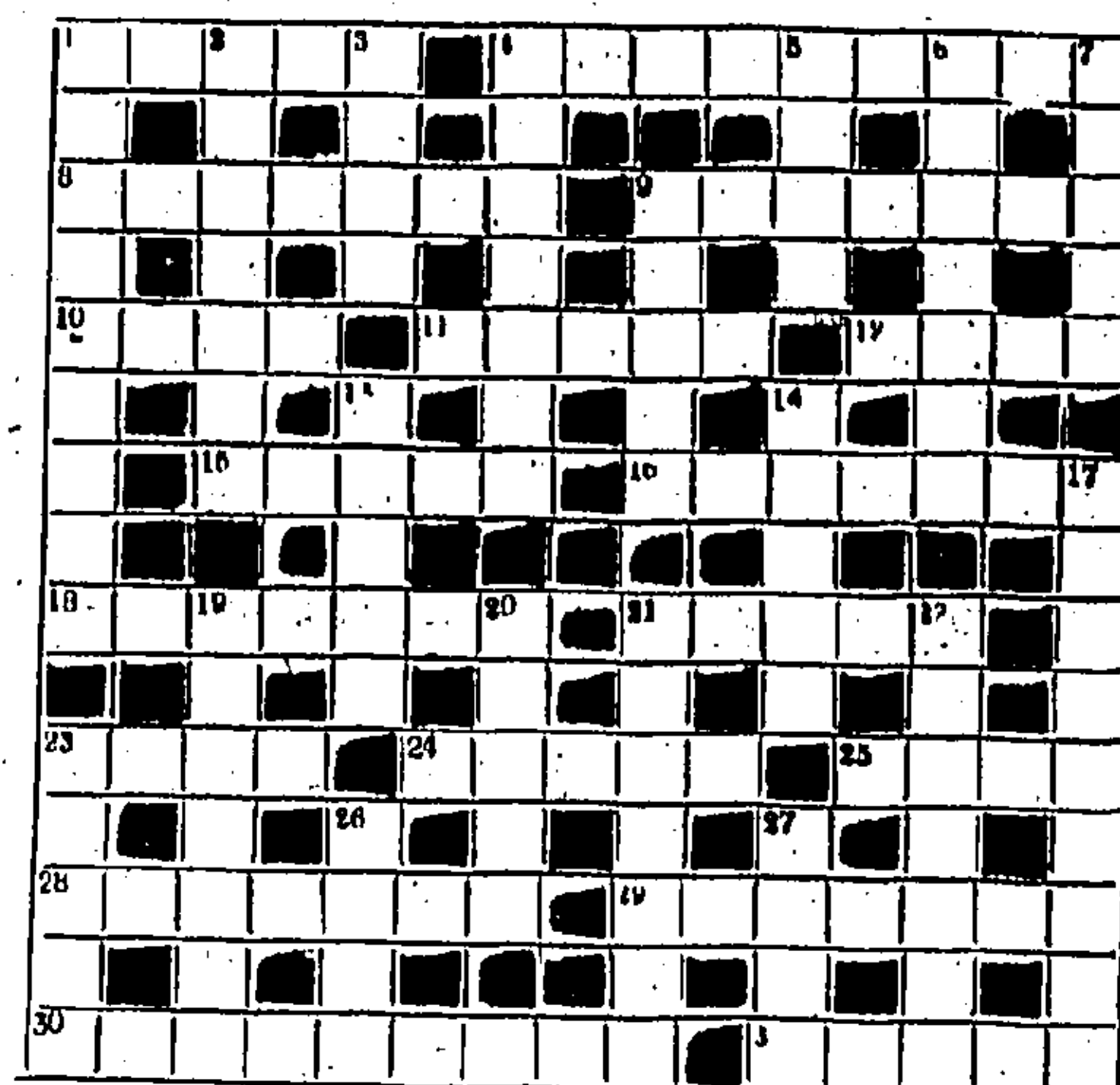
LOCAL BROADCASTING.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE'S
MONTHLY REPORT.The monthly report of the Hong-
kong Broadcasting Committee for
November shows that the actual
hours of transmission totalled 257,
of which 151.50 were devoted to
European programmes and 105.50
to Chinese programmes. There
were six dance programmes, four
running commentaries, one Euro-
pean Studio concert, 20 European
relays, four Chinese Studio con-
certs, four Chinese lectures, five
European lectures, three European
Children's programmes and three
Chinese children's programmes.Fifty-five new licences were
issued for the instalment of radio
sets during the month.damage was repaired this morn-
ing.—Reuter.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	83.15/16	83.15/16
Geneva	18.15/16	18.15/16
Berlin	18.15/16	18.15/16
Oslo	18.15/16	18.15/16
Helsingfors	18.15/16	18.15/16
Athens	18.15/16	18.15/16
Buenos Aires	18.15/16	18.15/16
Shanghai	18.15/16	18.15/16
New York	18.15/16	18.15/16
Amsterdam	18.15/16	18.15/16
Stockholm	18.15/16	18.15/16
Vienna	18.15/16	18.15/16
Madrid	18.15/16	18.15/16
Bucharest	18.15/16	18.15/16
Bombay	18.15/16	18.15/16
Calcutta	18.15/16	18.15/16
Canton	18.15/16	18.15/16
Cebu	18.15/16	18.15/16
Hankow	18.15/16	18.15/16
Harbin	18.15/16	18.15/16
Hongkong	18.15/16	18.15/16
Kobe	18.15/16	18.15/16
London	18.15/16	18.15/16
Lyons	18.15/16	18.15/16
Manila	18.15/16	18.15/16
Peking	18.15/16	18.15/16
Rangoon	18.15/16	18.15/16
San Francisco	18.15/16	18.15/16
Singapore	18.15/16	18.15/16
Sourabaya	18.15/16	18.15/16
Tientsin	18.15/16	18.15/16
Yokohama	18.15/16	18.15/16

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



- Across
- 1 First king found in the Bible. (Careful!)
 - 4 U.S.A. State.
 - 8 It is killing to have a horse in one's care.
 - 9 Behold this dignitary four times and he's consumed.
 - 10 An animal that lives in its head.
 - 11 Blame or disgrace.
 - 12 Tree that can produce a fish.
 - 15 This is a favourite song with me.
 - 16 Political leader.
 - 18 This English town seems another form of Gibeon, when split.
 - 21 Composer.
 - 23 The Taj Mahal is here.
 - 24 Gait that betrays a young doctor in liquor.
 - 25 Vehicle.
 - 28 Fruit yielded, we hope.
 - 29 From France, appropriately.
 - 30 Part of the army is sick in the channel.
 - 31 Replace Puss in Boots.
- Down
- 1 Unlike Caesar, he disliked the fat (two words).
 - 2 A wine.
 - 3 Something one should not administer to its reverse, except in play.
 - 4 Coax.
 - 5 Would be split after a hundred and fifty.
 - 6 Everything in the entertainment is not deep.
 - 7 Relation.
 - 9 Perpendicular gauge.
 - 13 Difference between twice fifty-three and twice three and fifty.
 - 14 Where any girl may see herself headless.
 - 17 Flower.
 - 19 Dutch town.
 - 20 What an M.P. may be.
 - 21 Chopin's "Berceuse," for instance.
 - 22 "Alert M.P." (anag.).
 - 23 Appeals to the ear as a gypsy—but not to the nose, surely!
 - 26 An Autumn tumble.
 - 27 Quicker than 24 Across.
- Yesterday's Solution.
- Across: 1. GOLCAH, 2. EVOKED, 3. RUI, 4. PUFF, 5. C, 6. TABAG, 7. OCCASION, 8. L, 9. HEN, 10. FINE, 11. TEVIO, 12. TURNPIKE, 13. H, 14. L, 15. S, 16. FLYBOOK, 17. U, 18. E, 19. A, 20. A, 21. O, 22. MACKEREL, 23. DOLMAN, 24. U, 25. N, 26. A, 27. ANY, 28. U, 29. N, 30. PILASTER, 31. BESIDE, 32. C, 33. V, 34. I, 35. E, 36. CHEST, 37. I, 38. REEFED, 39. T, 40. S, 41. KAGED, 42. HW.

STICKERS

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London, Dec. 10.
Much interest has been aroused in the visit to England of Dr. Eckener, the commander of the Graf Zeppelin, who after a visit to the Cardington airship sheds yesterday, in company with Colonel Leeds, representing American airship and financial interests, and the Master of Sempill, the well-known English airman, had an interview with the Air Minister, Lord Londonderry.

Later Dr. Eckener stated that they hoped to get the sanction of the British Government to the use of the air stages which he had inspected, for the proposed Atlantic service. The discussion with Lord Londonderry was of a general character, in which the desirability of Britain, Germany and America combining was stressed. No detailed proposals have been advanced.

In an interview with the press, Dr. Eckener said he had also seen the Foreign Secretary in regard to the scheme, which was still in the embryonic stage.—British Wireless.

Yesterday's Solution.

WHILE THE BRIGHT STAR
OF RUSSIA'S TSAR
STILL SHONE, AND ARTS
WERE THRONED;
IN FUTILE WARS,
BRAVE RUSSIAN TARS
LIKE HELPLESS RATS
WERE DROWNED.

The five words in the large letters were the missing ones. They all are composed of four letters.

LOCAL WEDDING.

POPULAR INDIAN CRICKETER
MARRIED.

The wedding took place last night at No. 5, Village Road, Happy Valley, of Sheikh Akbar Ismail, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ismail, to Rahima, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. O. el Arculli.

The bride, who wore a sarree of pink lace and carried a sheaf of gladioli, was given away by her uncle, Mr. A. el Arculli. The best man was Mr. S. A. R. Ismail, while Amina el Arculli and Amina Abdul-Careem (cousins of the bride) were the bridesmaids. They were attired in native Indian dress and carried bouquets of pink roses. The ceremony was performed according to Muslim rites. A reception was held later and the health of the couple toasted. They were the recipients of many presents, which included one from the members of the Indian Recreation Club, of which the bridegroom is a member, being the wicket-keeper of the Senior cricket team.

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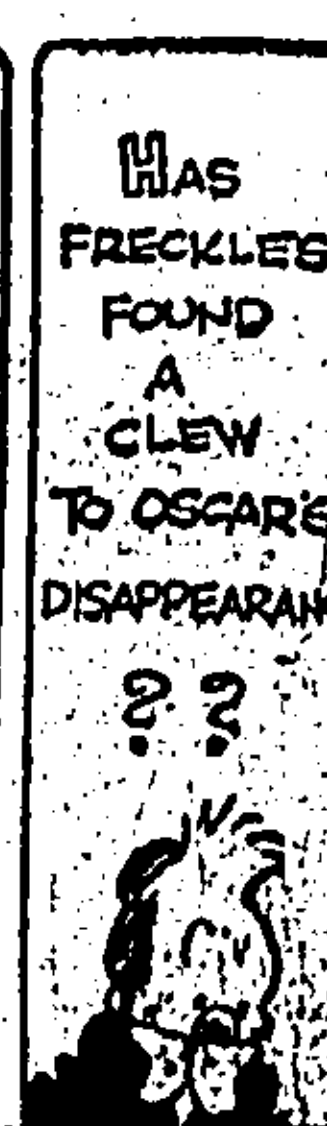
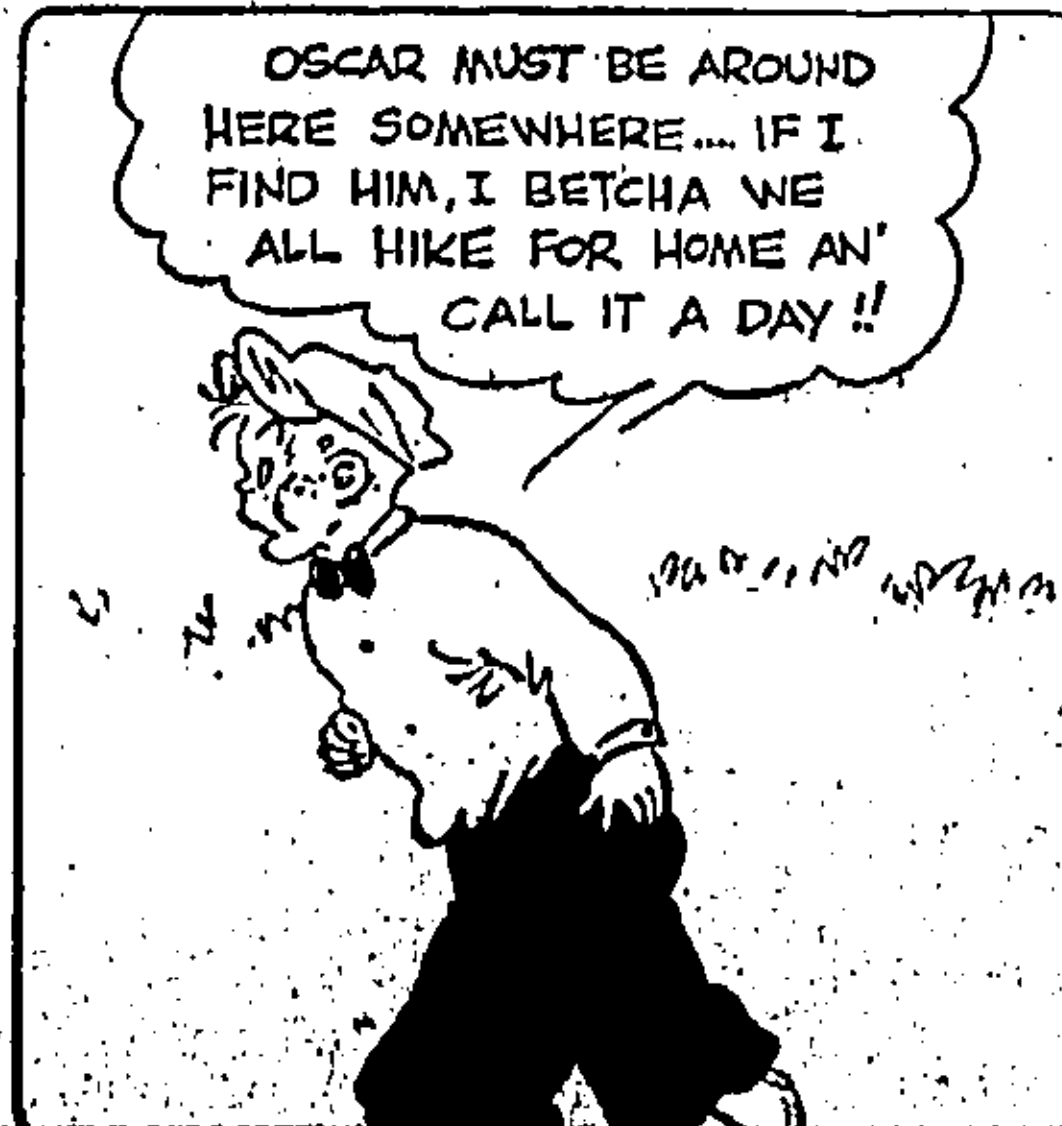
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BIRTHS.

HOLMES. On December 10, 1931, at
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Mrs. L. B. Holmes, a daughter.

DEATH.

WONG KAM FUK J.P.—At his
residence "Ching Shan Po" in
Pokfulam Road near the
junction with Mount Davis
Road, on the 10th day of
December, 1931, at 3.30 a.m.,
aged 62 years. The Funeral
will take place at the Chinese
Permanent Cemetery on Satur-
day, the 12th inst., and will
pass the Chinese Christian
Cemetery in Pokfulam Road
at 12 o'clock noon when a
short service will be held in
the Chapel.

The
Hongkong Telegraph

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1931.

CLIQUE.

One of the desires of the Rotary
Club, according to Sir William
Hornell, is to break down the
barriers which mark the division
of Hongkong people into so many
cliques. No-one who has lived in
this Colony for any length of time
will dispute the statement that,
to use Sir William's words, there
is too much superfluous heart-
burning and unnecessary mutual
suspicion here. Nor will it be
denied that the evil is not wholly
as between one community and
another—there are cliques in
every community. It is, however,
one thing to bemoan an unde-
sirable situation, and quite another
to rectify it. Undoubtedly, the
principles for which Rotary stands
should be helpful in achieving a
freer mixing as between the vari-
ous classes, but even the most
ardent Rotarian will concede that
it will require something much
more than periodical gatherings in
public to break down the divisions
which mark off various sections of
the community. Something is
gained in this way by the creation
of new friendships, but it will only
be by a commingling of the several
classes in everyday social life, and
in each others' homes, that an im-
pression will be made on the prob-
lem.

It is quite common to hear
people declare that there are more
cliques in Hongkong than in any
other place of the same size. Such
generalisations are easy to make,
but difficult to establish. If the
truth could be revealed, it would
probably be found that this Colony
is no worse nor no better than
any other centre in this respect.

When all is said and done, there
is a natural and quite reasonable
tendency for people everywhere to
form themselves into groups in
their social life, on the principle
that like gravitates to like. No
man or woman can be expected to
find either pleasure or benefit in
continuously consorting with those
whose ideas and outlook on life
run contrary to their own. Everyone
has the right to make his or her
own circle of friendships. But to
any so much is not to deny the
fact that the superiority complex
does obtrude itself far too much;
whilst at the other end of the scale
we have the type of individual who
is always on the look-out for
slights and who, if the truth be
told, often imagines a patronising
attitude on the part of others
where none is intended. In these
matters, it is easy to believe just
what we want to believe. The
great need is for people to be their
natural selves, neither scorning
the lowly nor apeing those above
them in station or culture. We
cannot, however much we may
wish it, wipe out social distinc-
tions; they always have existed,
and they always will. Yet the
world would be infinitely better if
we accepted men and women for
what they are, for their worth in
real values, uninfluenced by con-
siderations of financial or social
standing. This is the ideal, and
if the Rotary Club helps in attain-
ing it, then it will have accom-
plished a great deal.

British people are in some quar-
ters regarded as being more given
to clique-making than any other
race. This, we would suggest, is
a misrepresentation of the facts.
We suffer perhaps more than we
deserve from what is best describ-
ed as our characteristic reserve.
Admittedly, we do not make
friends freely or mix with that
aplitude which is typical of many
other peoples. But even our
severest critics concede that, once
the outer shell is broken through,
past misapprehensions are usually
dissipated. We have something
to learn from others in this mat-
ter, as they have from us. At
heart, when all is said and done,
mankind is pretty much of a much-
ness the world over. Possibly
here in Hongkong we are more
conscious of each others' failings
than we should be in a bigger
sphere. Which may explain in
part the impression which we find
it hard to get away from that we
are not quite such good mixers
as we ought to be. In larger
cities, cliques exist just as they
do here, but with the greater dif-
fusion of the community the fact
is not so apparent.

Far East Shipping.

The decision of the Lloyd Tri-
estino to place the Conte Rosso on
the Far East run offers a challenge
to the enterprise of British shipping
companies, which will be em-
phasised if, as is distinctly possi-
ble, the Conte Verde, joins in the
race for passengers and freights.
The Conte Rosso is a vessel
which both for speed and
comfort will surpass
anything previously plying regular-
ly on the Suez route. She will cut
down the time distance between
Hongkong and London to 22 days,
even less if the Brindisi train and
air services are called into service.
Her appointments are luxurious, as
they had to be considering that she
was originally built to cater for
wealthy South American tourists
visiting Mediterranean ports. The
Conte Verde, which will doubtless
be brought on to the Far East run
if the Conte Rosso experiment
proves a success, is a still more
"fashionable" ship, and will add
further to the prestige of Italian
shipping. Knot for knot she is
easily the equal of the Conte Rosso,
which will undoubtedly break all
records in February next. The
outlook for British shipping is any-
thing but bright. Hongkong can-
not be other than gratified at the
new opportunities offered by the
Lloyd Triestino, and the most is
likely to be made of these facili-
ties. Britain has the poor con-
solation that these speedy vessels
owe their excellence to British ship-
building yards. Both the Conte
Rosso and the Conte Verde are to
the credit of the Clyde. The fact,

IF YOU LIVED IN RUSSIA

THE TOPSY-TURVY LAND OF THE SOVIETS

AS SEEN BY JULIA BLANSHARD

When you travel in Russia, you should travel as the Russians do, and that is "hard." "Hard" is the literal translation of the third class, "zhosky." It describes quite accurately the board shelf on which you sleep when you travel in a third class carriage.

There are two other choices for you besides "hard," the costly wagon lits which afford you luxurious, spacious compartments, with semi-private wash rooms; and "soft" (myakhat), or second-class cars, which have upholstered compartments that can be made into presentable beds with disinfected sheets, pillow slips and blankets by paying the train su d, "povodnik," three roubles.

Travelling third is a distinctive experience, as I discovered when I occupied my wooden shelf for eight days crossing Siberia from China. These third class cars have no enclosed compartments. A corridor runs down one side of each car and at right angles to it, across the car, sections of wooden seats are built, exactly like wide pantry shelves, in tiers of three on either side of the windows, with each shelf far enough above the one below it to allow even a tall adult to sit erect.

DAY BY DAY

THE CONTEMPORARY SNEER IS
OFTEN SUCCEEDED BY THE POSTHU-
MUS STATUE.—Walter Sichel.

The health return for yesterday
shows two cases of diphtheria and
two of typhoid.

The Royal Observatory reports
that the anticyclone is now central
over the Sea of Japan, moving E.N.E.

Suffering from injuries to his head,
caused through running into a
Sanitary Department motor lorry in
Belchers Street yesterday, a four-
year-old boy, Li Sung, of 51, Belchers
Street, was removed to the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital for treatment.

The Police Recreation Club are
holding their second dance of the
season at Lane Crawford's Restau-
rant next Wednesday, December
16, at 8 p.m. Admission for gentle-
men will be \$2, including refreshments
while ladies will be admitted by
courtesy.

A concubine of Chan Ping-nam, of
51 Parkes Street, was removed to
the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday
suffering from the effects of opium
poisoning, which is stated to have
been self-administered. She was
admitted to hospital at 7 p.m. and
died at 8.20 p.m.

The body of a Chinese woman, aged
about 30, was removed to the Kowloon
Mortuary yesterday after having
been found hanging on the ground
floor of 32, Takuling Street, Kowloon
City. The woman, whose identity
has not been established, was found
by the police with a rope tied round
her neck. Her mouth, hands and
clothes were smeared with red
powder, which she was suspected of
having first taken before hanging
herself.

however, simply goes to de-
monstrate the backwardness of Bri-
tish shipping policy. The P. and O.
Company's shipbuilding pro-
gramme since the War has been
anything but a modest one. On the
contrary, a steady laying of orders
for new ships has done much to
prevent the shipbuilding slump in
Britain from assuming worse pro-
portions. Somehow or other, how-
ever, up to the present, British
shipping companies in general
have never considered speed to be
an essential feature of
ships designed for the
Far East service. The Italian
challenge may bring about a
change of outlook and an all-round
improvement in shipping services
via the Suez route.



There may be food shortages in the cities of Soviet Russia, but there is apparently none in the rural sections, for every time Julia Blanchard's train stopped vendors like these came alongside. They sold hard-boiled eggs, roast chicken, bread and butter—and almost gave it away!

During the day the pantry-shelf
neighbours on the second and top
bunks may descend to sit on the
lowest shelf. But when night
comes everybody has his own bare
wooden shelf to stretch out and
sleep on, unless the train is so
crowded that several must huddle
together on one seat, sitting up.

All Russia travels "hard." In
fact, after you have passed a cou-
ple of stations and seen the hordes
of drably dressed and heavily
laden peasants who surge into the
train, you may conclude that all
Russia is travelling, and on your
train. When you travel hard in
Russia you do not take your
clothes off. You might lose the
clothes.

Leaving Moscow for the Ukraine
my next-shelf neighbour, a stenog-
rapher, took off her new pale grey
kid shoes, tied them to her belt
so no one could steal them, pulled
her coat over her and lay down
to sleep, having put her stockinged
feet inside her food basket to keep
them warm.

The Red soldier on the shelf
over me put his new kodak, his
pride and joy and the envy of the
whole train, under his head for a
pillow. On the shelf under me a
fat peasant woman and her little
girl slept, one heading one way,
the other the other, with a dirty,
grey woollen comforter completely
covering them both, head and all.

Men and women stagger under
their burdens, bearing one or all
the food stores on the shelf.



"Hello, Dear. I just wanted to hear you tell me how much you love me. But, remember, this is a long-distance call."

four of the different kinds of Rus-
sian baggage, burlap bundles, bas-
kets, boxes and babies. I saw one
three-year-old child bent half
double with a food bag on his
back and the family teapot in his
hand.

When morning comes, some of
these odd-looking bundles are
opened to reveal black bread, sau-
sage, cheese, hard-boiled eggs, tea,
all wrapped up in shirts, towels,
baby clothes or right in with the
family bed clothes. Real democ-
racy holds sway. You take your
place in the line for the toilet, you
take your turn standing in the cor-
ridor looking out the windows and
when the train stops you rush for
a good place in the line in front
of the "kipstock," the hot-water
faucet which all Russian stations
keep steaming for the great na-
tional drink, tea.

When you travel as the Russians
do you learn to avoid the diner.
Russian diners are not so attrac-
tive and much more expensive
than foreign diners. Table cloths
are nearly always dirty. Waiters
look exactly like the train guards
with khaki suits and caps that
have the Communist sickle and
hammer on them.

The majority of travelling Rus-
sians carry food sacks with them,
eat at the station cafeterias or
buy from vendors.

At Smolensk we had a three-
hour wait so we got in line for
lunch. Half the waiting room
was used for a cafeteria. Three
long tables, each with worn oil-
cloth, filled the centre of this
room. For 60 kopecks we got
tickets for a hot plate which a
waitress in a soiled white apron
brought us. It had a cutlet of
chopped meat, some boiled cab-
bage, stewed tomatoes, and two
slices of black bread.

You soon learn to bargain at
the food counters as the Russians
do. Half the fun of travelling
third is to jump off at various
stations and buy food. Women
and children line up with all kinds
of viands to sell. There seems to
be plenty of food outside of Mos-
cow. Food shortage in the cities is,
you realize, a transportation prob-
lem.

At Kramatorsk, in the Don Cos-
sack country, where new glass
factories are causing a boom,
blocks of women sold broiled chick-
ens for a rouble each, round
cheese, fried fish of several kinds,
30 kopecks each, including a tiny
scarlet fish, that looked like lob-
ster and tasted even better, some
cheese, pats of butter, one rouble,
and the staple hard-boiled eggs,
four for a rouble.

Here I saw a little barefoot boy
with a big brown earthen jug of
boiled milk he was selling, running
his fingers around the inside of
the jug and sucking them and then
sticking them in again to repeat
the process as he ran from plat-
form to platform to offer the milk.
Trains are cleaner to-day than
they were in 1925 when I crossed
Siberia "hard." The guard comes
along with his short broom made
of tree twigs and sweeps out. A
peasant boy, chewing sun-flower
seeds, sticks his head out of the
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GOLD STANDARD
IN JAPAN.COUNTRY SPLIT OVER
RETENTION.ABANDONMENT NEXT
YEAR?

Tokyo, Dec. 7.
Retention of the gold standard is the most difficult problem facing Japanese finance as the year 1931 draws to an end. The nation is split on the problem and there are grave doubts that the present free movement of gold can be continued through 1932.

Mr. Junnosuke Inouye, Minister of Finance in the Minseito Party Cabinet headed by Premier Baron Bejiro Wakatsuki, declares the gold standard can and will be maintained and that those elements favouring replacing the embargo on gold exports, lifted two years ago, are advocating a policy which would cripple national finances.

Mr. Taisho Inukai, president of the Seiyukai—principal opposition party and the natural choice for Premier in event the Wakatsuki Cabinet should fall—declares the gold standard should have been abandoned months ago and the yen allowed to seek its natural level following the policy adopted by Great Britain's National Government with regard to the pound sterling.

The Seiyukai already is on record with a resolution declaring the embargo on gold and silver exports ought to be re-applied at once.

Foreign Business View.
Foreign businessmen in Japan generally believe that the Seiyukai policy eventually will prevail and that the gold standard will have to be abandoned within a few months whether the Wakatsuki Cabinet is overthrown or not. They support their arguments by citing the fact it has been impossible to buy forward exchange on New York at quotations near par for months and that the Government has refused to allow any purchases of dollars except in proved legitimate commercial transactions.

The government declares its gold policy is necessary to prevent flight of the yen, which is caused by lack of confidence in the country's essential financial stability. If there were no exchange restrictions, the Minister of Finance asserts, speculators would wreck the yen in short order.

Great financial houses of Japan, including the famous House of Mitsu, already have been accused of plotting the fall of the yen. The government asserts that the Mitsus and other financial concerns have bought great quantities of American dollars with the deliberate idea of driving the yen off the gold standard and reaping enormous profits. The Mitsus and other concerns deny this charge and state they are merely following sound policy. They assert it is their opinion the yen cannot indefinitely be held at its gold parity on New York and that they have got to protect their interests by buying dollars to cover their operations for as far in advance as possible.

No Parallel with Britain.
The Government declares this is merely speculation and shows a lamentable lack of patriotism. The Minister of Finance asserts the gold cover can fall to a point far lower than at present—it is now more than 50 per cent.—and the gold standard still will not be in danger. Reasons which caused Britain to abandon the gold standard, he asserts, do not exist in Japan. There are no short-term credits here to be withdrawn and no large foreign investments the withdrawal of which would cause a panic.

That a partial gold embargo has existed for weeks, however, impartial observers do not deny. Even small depositors with small yen accounts in foreign banks of Tokyo—such as the branch of the National City Bank of New York—cannot exchange their accounts into gold at the quoted Tokyo-New York cross rate. Such transactions are forbidden by the temporary rules of the Ministry of Finance.

Despite efforts to prevent the outflow of gold, however, the loss of gold during the last half of this year has been alarming and there can be no question that the yen would collapse at once if the government's restrictions on purchases of United States dollars were removed.

Predictions by well informed persons are heard daily in Tokyo that Japan will abandon the gold standard during the first quarter of 1932.

DOGS AT THE OVAL.

PETITION AGAINST
PROPOSAL.

Petitions against the proposal to hold greyhound racing on the Oval cricket ground at Kennington have been signed in London.

References to the scheme have been made from the pulpit, and numbers of clergy endorsed the criticisms of the Bishops of Woolwich and Kingston.

The petition forms were circulated in the neighbourhood, and public meetings were held to decide on the method of offering a protest. The Bishop of Kingston presided at one of these, and he was supported by the Mayor of Lambeth.

Dr. J. Darlington, vicar of St. Mark's Kennington, and he viewed the proposal with grave disapproval, and he invited members of the congregation to sign petition forms. He quoted St. Paul's admonition in the Epistle to the Romans "that no man put a stumbling-block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way."

Other religious bodies are also moving in the matter. The Roman Catholic Bishop of Pella, Mr. W. F. Brown, who is rector of the local Roman Catholic church, made a statement in which he expressed disapproval of the scheme.

Bishop's Appeal.

"The dignity and stirring memories associated with great County and Test matches," he said "with the presence of international crowds on many occasions, seem to my mind to be outraged by the proposal to turn the cricket ground into a dog racing course."

Within 100 yards of the Oval there is a Roman Catholic convent and boarding school, and almost directly facing the ground there is a home for aged poor with 300 inmates.

"I appeal to the good feeling of the County Club authorities and to the Duchy of Cornwall administration," Bishop Brown said, "to have consideration for these and other defenceless people, who will have sleepless nights and suffer considerable inconvenience."

DARING AIR TESTS.

PILOTS 8,000 FT. SPIN IN
EXPERIMENT.

Details of one of the most daring air tests ever undertaken are given in a report just issued by the Aeronautical Research Committee—"Measured Spins on Aeroplanes II," by S. B. Gates.

It was desired to measure the accelerations, rates of turn and rudder movements in spins to the right and left with a certain type of single-seater fighting aeroplanes known to be dangerous in a spin. The machine was fitted with special recording instruments, and Flight Lieutenant C. E. Maitland, of the Experimental Section at Farnborough, took it up. After climbing to a great height he put the machine into a right-hand spin and held it in with the controls fully over.

After a few slow steep turns, the speed of rotation suddenly increased, the machine flicking round viciously and the time of each turn falling to only 1.2 seconds.

Flight Lieutenant Maitland still held the machine in the spin, and it was not until it had done ten turns that he attempted recovery. The machine refused to come out, and the speed of rotation "partially disabled" the pilot, causing him to lose his sense of direction and not to know which way he was applying the rudder.

For more than 8,000 feet Flight Lieutenant Maitland hurtled towards the ground, his machine twisting round with the speed of a dazed fly, he tried every device to extricate the machine without success. For forty turns the aircraft fell out of control, and then the engine stopped and the machine came out and flew level.

Slight alterations were made to the machine, and Flight Lieutenant Maitland volunteered to do another test. This time the machine did 34 turns before coming out, and it was decided to abandon the tests.

For stealing a gold wrist watch from Minden Villas, a Chinese was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning. It was stated that defendant stole the watch during a visit to Minden Villas. Inspector Elston, who prosecuted, agreed that the thief was probably due to sudden temptation.

Colonel Myles, accompanied by members of his staff, Majors Flood and Anderson, are to conduct Part I of the Ralphs Shield Competition, in the snooker with the St. John Ambulance Brigade, at Queen's College on Sunday. This comprises a company and stretcher drill. Part II, inspection of equipment, treatment of cases and viva-voce examination, will be taken on the following Sunday, 20th instant.

MASS POACHING IN
SPAIN.WOMEN CREATE UPROAR AT
ALGECIRAS.

Madrid, Nov. 5.
A clash between Civil Guards and armed peasants in the province of Badajoz to-day led to one death and several gravely wounded. Ninety men from various villages arranged to hunt on a private estate, and 80 Civil Guards were concentrated to prevent them.

The Civil Guards fired in the air as a warning, and then charged the poachers. The latter tried to surround the Civil Guards, but the Guards opened fire. A lively exchange of firing took place before the Civil Guards were able to put the poachers to flight. Many arrests were made.

At Algeciras a crowd of women created a disturbance to-day outside the town hall, necessitating the intervention of the Civil Guard before order was established. The object of the women's demonstration was to demand the release of some Syndicalists and Communists who were arrested yesterday for distributing manifestos.

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART
SUPPLEMENT.To-morrow's Pictorial
Offerings.

Variety will be the keynote of to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement.

A feature will be a series of photographs of the principals in "Miss Hook of Holland," which opens at the Theatre Royal to-morrow night.

Amongst local weddings illustrated will be those of Mr. James Cameron and Miss L. M. Young, Mr. E. L. Powell and Miss D. E. Clements, and Mr. P. R. Larken and Miss Chan.

Sporting events covered will include the Kowloon Dock bowls closing day and the Rugby match between the Club and the Army. There will also be snapshots taken of the Volunteers in camp, Brownies enjoying games at Government House, and a group taken at the Police Reserve dinner, as well as a photograph of the Scottish Company of the Volunteers with the Chieftain of St. Andrew's Society.

Amongst portraits will be those of Mr. T. N. Chiu, the new member of the Legislative Council, and Mr. Li Yuk-tong, who has just celebrated his 81st birthday.

Inciting the people to any rents until their landlords reduced them by 50 per cent.

The women became disorderly and were shouting subversive cries when mounted Civil Guards came upon the scene to clear the street. One woman was wounded. Around the local prison a special guard is mounted. The Syndicalists are threatening a general strike for to-morrow.

The non-payment of rent is another weapon being utilised by Syndicalists and Communists in various parts of Spain, to produce disorder.

It was announced to-day that the Royal stables in Madrid will be taken down within 15 days' time to make way for public gardens, planned by the Madrid municipality.

DUMPING SCARE AT
LONDON DOCKS.

THE OTHER SIDE.

A glimpse of the other side of the "dumping" scare at London Docks is afforded by a letter received by the News-Chronicle from Mr. E. R. Hatfield, chairman of Regents North Quay Wharf, Ltd., who handle part of the trade which is alarming the Protectionist Press. Mr. Hatfield says:

"Exactly the same scenes have always taken place during the months of October and November every year, this being the season when the Christmas trade from abroad naturally finds its way into the London market.

"The potato traffic is quite exceptional and is solely due to shortage of supplies owing to the partial failure of the British crop."

The result of the increase in the seasonal traffic, the letter points, has been a very considerable improvement in the shipping, stowage, dockers and carrier trades. Moreover, the existence of these foreign stocks must help to prevent any quick increase in the cost of living.

LORD BORODALE TO
MEDIATE.LONDON TENEMENTS RATES
WAR.

Lord Borodale, the young conservative M.P. for Peckham, is to act as mediator in the Peckham tenements dispute.

He proposes to get in touch with Sir William Ray, the Leader of the Municipal Reform Party in the London County Council, and with the Peckham Borough Council to see whether a conference can be called immediately. He is also to raise the matter in Parliament.

Sir William Ray told a reporter: "I shall be only too pleased to discuss the matter with Lord Borodale, and see what can be done to put the question on a satisfactory basis."

Sixteen members of the borough council have announced their intention of making a weekly collection of rates, the objective for which the tenants have been fighting.

Signs of Spreading.

Meanwhile, the passive resistance campaign against the quarterly payment of rates, shows signs of spreading from the Hill-street tenements to other tenements in the district.

"G.H.O." of the Workers Defence Movement at the Hill-street tenements is a barely furnished room. Half a dozen men and one woman are on guard there.

Guard for Collector.

Mr. E. Spokes, one of the men's leaders said:

"The council's rent collector has asked if he may come and collect the rents. He may do so. We have given our word that he will not be molested, and he will have a guard to take him round. But something will happen within the next few days.

"We have had 100 men acting as pickets all day with hourly reliefs, and tonight the number will be increased to 150."

Another of the men's leaders said: "If there is any trouble, there will be such a 'show' as has not been seen in London for many years. If the council try force they will be met with force. We do not intend to get out of here without a struggle."

In addition to workers' organisations from Camberwell and South-west, the Deptford Workers' Defence Movement have offered help and have been told to keep in readiness.

IF YOU LIVED IN
RUSSIA.

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window in the corridor to spit out the seeds. Formerly the floor would have got them.

A girl on the shelf above me, singing rollicking Revolutionary songs, leans down and points to an iron container built into the wall. "Put your ashes in there," she says, "it is not sanitary to throw stubs on the floor."

One day, down in the Caucasus, I gave an old, fat peasant woman and her two children a piece of gum which she chewed with great energy for several hours. The next day each child in turn got the gum.

If you travel first or second-class in Russia, you must also revise your habits. At the border the tourist guide tells visitors that they may get a stranger of the opposite sex in their compartments. Coming out from Moscow I drew a lower berth in a "soft" compartment for four, with an American engineer and a Russian chemist as my companions. When I was ready to turn in, I merely said so and they both got up and went out into the corridor to smoke.

I closed the door and when I undressed, opened the door, crawled in and turned my face to the wall. When the last person in was ready for bed, he shut and locked the door, and turned out the light. In the morning, the plan was reversed.

Any trip out of Moscow through the country shows you the growth of Russia more than the capital itself. In 1925, on the whole trip from China, Siberian villages were composed of tiny mud or wooden houses, set in unattractive mud streets, were grouped about a decorative Russian church. Its gold-starred dome stood out as the dominating feature of every settlement.

To-day, travelling through the country, many of the churches still remain, but new, huge smokestacks pouring forth black smoke and new silos full of new grain, dominate the scene.

The Russians travelling with you will point out the smokestacks and granaries and hold forth for hours on figures of production that are being reached under the Five-Year Plan.

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5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese recorded programme.
7.00-10.30 p.m. European programme.
7.00-10.00 p.m. Programme of Victor and H. M. V. Records.
7.00 p.m. Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.

7.05-8.00 p.m. A Concert.
Instrumental Trio-I Zingari (Cecilia).
Do Groot (Violin) David Bor (Piano) and H. M. Calve (Cello). B3028.
Song-Swiss Echo Song (Eckert).
Marion Talley (Soprano). 6598.
Duet for Two Pianos-Improvisation (Schubert).
Duet for Two Pianos-Valso (Arensky).
Harold Bauer and Ossi Gabrilowitch. 8162.

Song-Danny Deever (Kipling).
Song-On the Road to Mandalay (Kipling-Speaks).
Reinold Werrernath (Baritone). 6038.
Violin Solo-Serenade (Drda).
Violin Solo-Serenade (Drda).
Mischa Elman. 1538.

Song-The Rosary (Rogers-Nevins).
Rosa Ponselle (Soprano). 1098.
Organ Solo-Organ Paraphrase on "Love's Old Sweet Song" (Molloy arr. Mendel).
Organ Solo-(a) Morning Dew (b) The Old Oak Tree (Powers).
Arthur Meale. C1426.

Song-A Pair of Blue Eyes (Kernell).
Song-I Feel You Near Me (McCarthy-Hanley).
John McCormack (Tenor). 1451.
8.00 p.m. Local time and weather report.

8.04-8.31 p.m. Talkie Tunes and Musical Comedy.
Selections from "Good News."
Selections from "Gunny Face."
Victor Arden-Phil Ohman and Their Orchestra. 35018.

"Love Lies"-Selection.
"Five O'Clock Girl"-Selection.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1658.
"Dear Love"-Selection.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1792.

8.31-8.45 p.m. Operatic.
Orchestral-Carmen Suite-Soldiers Chugging the Guard (Bizet).
Orchestral-Carmen Suite-March of the Smugglers (Bizet).
Philadelphia Symphony Orch. 6874.
Band-Aida-Grand March and Finale (Verdi).
Band-Aida-Introduction and Moorish Ballet (Verdi).
Cretore's Band. 35780.

8.45-9.42 p.m. Variety.
Humorous Song-That's How I Feel About You Sweetheart.
Song-Thoughts of You.
Gracie Fields. B3176.

Instrumental-Memory Waltz.
Instrumental-Hawaiian Star Dust.
Master's Hawaiians. 25681.
Song-A Room with a View.
Song-Mary Make Believe.
Noel Coward (Baritone). B2710.

Piano-Accordion Solo-Accordionette.
Piano-Accordion Solo-Accordionette.
Pietro. V-70.
Song-Can't Help Lovin' dat Man.
Song-Bill.
Helen Morgan (Comedienne). 21238.
Organ Solo-Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes.
Organ Solo-Salut D'Amour.
Reginald Foort. B3468.

Song-Jimmie Rogers Visits The Carter Family.
Song-Moonlight and Sides.
Jimmie Rogers. 23574.
Humorous Dialogue-An Old Flame.
John Henry and Gladys Horridge. B3275.

(The Records in the above European Programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Motrice and Co.).
9.42-10.27 p.m. Liszt's Concerto in E Minor played by Alexander Brailowsky (Pianist) and the Philharmonic Orchestra of Berlin conducted by Julius Frazer.
(This suite has been kindly loaned by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith).
10.27 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news.

10.30 p.m. Close down.

HONGKONG SHARE
MARKET.OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.

The market opened this morning with the prices established yesterday maintained and in some instances improved, and there were more enquiries for a number of stocks.

Sales.
Trans. 21.40.
H.K. Electric, 778.35.
Star Ferries, 596.
Dairy Farms, 529.15.
Buyers.

Unions, 430.
Douglases, 420.4.
Raubs, 442.
Providents (old), 55.15.
Providents (old), 23.35.
H.K. Lands, 580.
Chinese Estates, 505.
Peak Trans (old), 115.
China Lights, 228.4.
Canton Ties, 40.
Dairy Farms, 529.
China Underwriters, 44.00.
Shanghai Explorations, 115. 24.40.
Wharves, 153.
Hotels (old), 115.
Hotels (new), 114.00.
H.K. Realties, 112.05.
Trams, 521.50.
Star Ferries, 596.7.
H.K. Electric, 778.
Cements (combined), 119.20.
H.K. Government Loan, 42.4.4.
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Sellers.
Hotels (old), 115.20.
S.C. Enterprises, 110.
China Lights, 228.4.
Venezuelan Goldfields, 32.

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THE LAI WAH CUP.

CIVILIANS' CHANCE TO WIN TROPHY.

The destination of the Lai Wah Cup for the current soccer season may be settled to-morrow when the Civilians meet the Army. No change is made from the eleven which defeated the Navy in a good game recently, and should they succeed against the Army, the competition will be over.

The team will be: Rodger (Club); Martin (Kowloon); Strange (Club); Hedley (Kowloon); McKelvie (Kowloon); Bliss (Kowloon); B. Gosano (Recreio); Segalen (Club); Howe (Club); A. Gosano (Recreio) and C. Pile (Police).

Reserves: Moss, Brittain (Police); Leonard (St. Joseph's) and Skinner (Club).

The match is being played at Sookunpoo, kick-off 3.45 p.m. Mr. Darlington will referee.

Junior League.
The junior division league fixtures follow:

Club v. University.—Club, 2.30. Navy v. S.W.B.—Navy, Happy Valley, 2.30.

12th Bty. v. Argylis.—Kowloon, 2.30.

R.A.O.C. v. Kowloon.—Chatham Road, 2.30.

Division III.
St. Joseph's v. R.A.F.—St. Joseph's, 2.30.

CHINESE LEAGUE.

The First Fixtures.

The opening matches of the Chinese League organised by the H.K.C.A.A.F. will be played to-morrow, at Caroline Hill. Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and Mr. Chan Lim-pak will take part in the introductory ceremonies.

Sung Ching will meet the South China 1st XI at 2.30 p.m. and South China's 2nd XI will meet Yee Woo at 4 p.m.

South China's 1st XI and the Chinese Athletic 1st XI do not meet until January 16.

The Club Reserves team against University will be:—Fogwill; Ralston and Krilovsky; Hooper, Panchoon and Sloan; Farrow, Duncan, Reid, Smith, and Fowler. Reserves:—Tavlin and Potouloff.

LOCAL RUGBY.

The following team has been selected to represent the Kowloon Rugby Club against H.M.S. Kent at 4.15 p.m. to-morrow at King's Park:

Easterbrook; Whitley, Burnett, Muller, Keith-Murray; Kilby; Crozier; Cogan, Bonham, Graham;

CHINESE SOCCER LEAGUE.

OUTCOME OF THE RECORD DISAGREEMENT.

Commencing to-morrow the Hongkong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation will run a football league, which has been organised as an outcome of the recent disagreement with the Hongkong Football Association, culminating in the withdrawal of all the Chinese clubs affiliated to the local F.A.

The opening ceremony of the League will be performed by Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, while Mr. Chan Lim-pak will kick off in the first match, which is between the Sung Ching Athletic Association and the South China Athletic Association's "A" team.

Matches will be played every Saturday afternoon at Caroline Hill and Happy Valley, the first commencing at 2.30 p.m. and the second at 4 o'clock. There are seven teams altogether and the season will extend to the middle of March.

The teams competing are the South China "A" and "B" teams, the Chinese Athletic "A" and "B" teams, the Sung Ching A.A., the Yee Woo A.A. and the Eastern A.A.

To-morrow the first match, between the Sung Ching and the South China "A" will commence at 2.30 p.m. on the Caroline Hill ground while at 4 o'clock the South China "B" will play Yee Woo on the same ground.

LOCAL CRICKET.

In a friendly cricket match against the K.C.C. 1st XI to-morrow on the Club ground at 2 p.m. the following have been chosen to represent the H.K.C.C.:

H. J. Armstrong, A. C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, G. E. R. Divett, E. R. Duckitt, A. H. Harbord, H. Owen Hughes, G. E. Mirchouse, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. R. West and L. D. Kilbee.

I.R.C. v. Royal Navy.

The following will represent the I.R.C. 1st XI in a friendly match against the Royal Navy on the Navy ground to-morrow, at 2.15 p.m.—A. A. Humjahn, A. H. Madar, S. R. Kermani, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, J. S. A. Curcuen and H. D. Humjahn. Reserve.—A. T. Barma.

The following will represent the Civil Service C.C. in their friendly matches against the University on Saturday:

1st team, at Pokfulam.—B. D. Evans (Capt.), J. E. Richardson, G. R. Sayer, F. Baker, F. J. Ling, R. M. Wood, J. Barrow, N. L. Bebbington, C. H. G. Bratley, R. A. J. Simpson, J. F. McGowan.
2nd team, at Happy Valley.—A. E. Wood (Capt.), A. W. Grimmett, R. E. O. Bird, C. Strange, J. F. Wilmet, W. Harris-Walker, J. M. Wilson, S. Randie, R. H. Woodman, P. Matthews, R. G. Robertson.

McNider, Riddell; Tipple, Walters, Wilson; Reserves, Davis, Broken-shire.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1530 n.
Chartered Bank, \$11½ n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$19 n.
East Asia, \$128 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., 1,450 n.
Union Ins., \$430 b.
China Underwriters, \$4.90 b.
China Fires, \$650 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,450 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$20½ b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$24 n.
Indo-Chinese, (Prof.) \$25 n.
Union Waterboats, \$27 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$10½ n.
Kallans, 30/- n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.40 b.
Raub, \$42 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$153 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old) \$5.15 b.
Hongkows, Tls. 225 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 95 n.

Cottons.

Ewa cottons Tls. 16.10 n.
Shai Cotton Tls. 85 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 12 n.

Land, Hotels, etc.

H.K. S. Hotel (old) \$15.20 n.
H.K. S. Hotel (new) \$14.60 b.
H.K. Lands, \$80 b.
Shai Land, Tls. 32½ n.
Humphreys' \$18 n.
Realities, \$12.05 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$21.20 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15 b.
Star Ferries, \$95½ b.
China Light, \$28 b.
H. K. Electric, \$78 b.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 17.90 n.
Singapore Tractions, 4/- n.

Industrials.

China Sugars 60 cts. n.
Malabons \$39 n.
Canton Ice, \$53½ b.
Cements (com.) \$19.20 b.
Ropes, \$16½ n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$29 n.
Watson, \$16.70 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lau Crawford, \$6.50 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sincere, \$15½ n.
Powells, \$3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$19½ n.
Constructions, (old) \$5.80 n.



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The Manager,

The Hongkong Telegraph,

Hong Kong.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with your instructions we have
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for September, October and November, 1931.

We have pleasure in certifying the following
figures for these three months.

Gross Circulation	253,880 copies
Voucher Copies, Exchange & to	7,223 "
Total Net Paid Circulation	246,657 "
Daily Average Paid Circulation	3,162 "

Yours faithfully,

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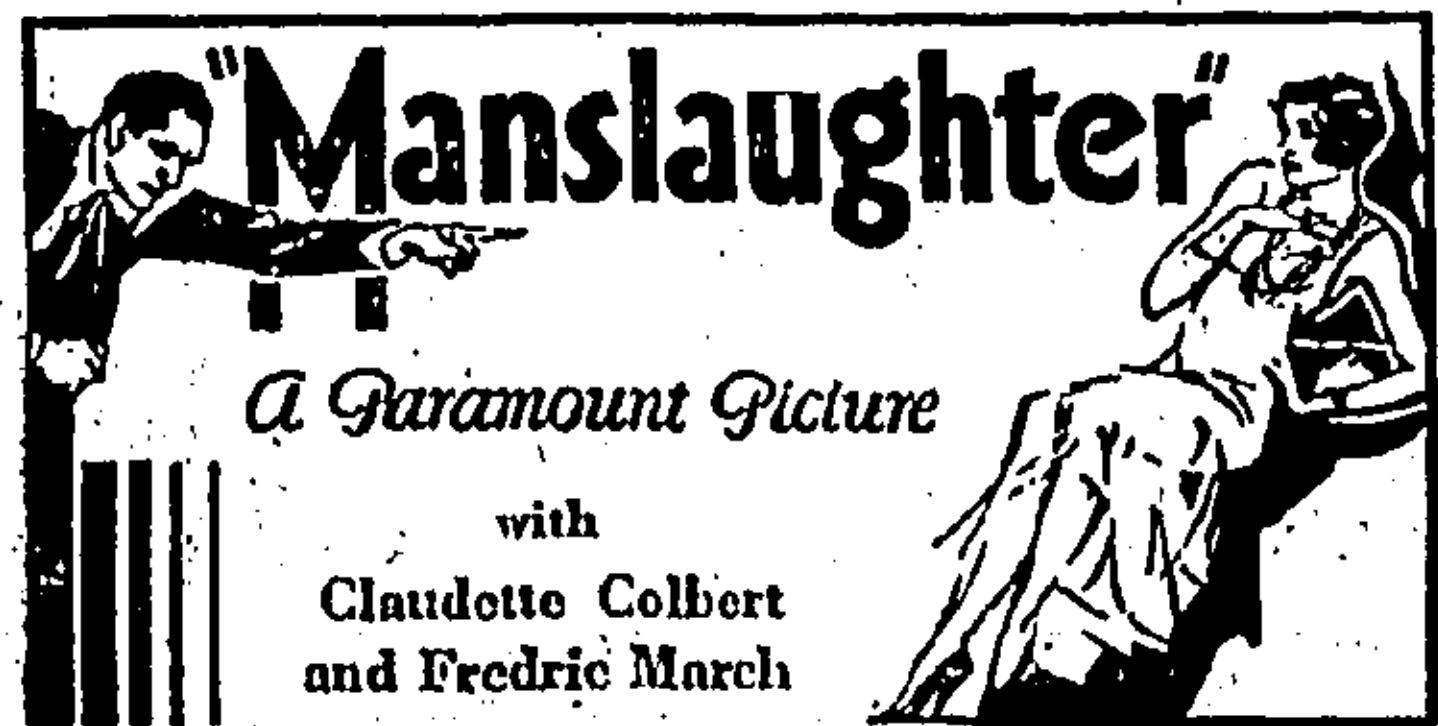
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LADIES' HOCKEY.

There will be an Inter-club match in connexion with the Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Club at Sookunpoo on Saturday at 3.30 p.m. Teams are as follows:—

Colours:—M. Bird, E. M. Gray, J. Smalley, M. Whitham, N. Cooper, M. Wallace, E. S. Laing, O. Brown, P. M. Harrop, E. Blackburn and R. King.
Whites:—M. King, I. Butler, A. Nicol, E. O'Hagan, A. Owen Hughes, B. Franklin, A. McElroy, J. Whyte, E. Bonnar, C. Ferguson and A. G. Orme.

OXFORD WIN AGAIN.

London, Dec. 10.
At Stamford Bridge to-day, at soccer, Oxford beat Cambridge by two goals to one.—Reuter.

SOME CHRISTMAS RECORDS
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67191 O Come, All Ye Faithful
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67192 The First Noel
While Shepherds Watched
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67193 Good King Wenceslas
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3414 Adanti Fideles
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4573 The Manger Throne
The First Noel
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"OUTRAGEOUS."

VOTES QUERIES.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, held yesterday, under the Chairmanship of the Colonial Secretary, votes totalling \$150,509 were approved, and a number of questions were asked and answered.

It was stated that the new female prison at Lai-chi-hok would be ready for opening in February.

The Chairman announced that a Government statement as to its intentions with regard to the report of the Currency Commission would ultimately be published, but he could not say when.

Referring to a vote of \$377 for a grant to the Mounted Infantry Company of the Volunteers, the Hon. Mr. Paterson said:—It is only a very small amount, \$8 for shoes for ponies, but it strikes me as outrageous. I can get a pair of aluminium racing plates put on for less than that, but that is a very ticklish job as it has to be an accurate fit and cold shoeing a fair price would be about \$8. I don't suggest for a moment that the Army is trying to "squeeze" the M.I. but it merely illustrates the fact that when a Government Department tries to enter on civilians it always ends up by charging a great deal more for it.

The Chairman:—I take it you will not oppose the vote as it stands.

Hon. Mr. Paterson:—No.

The Chairman:—Well, I will cause enquiries to be made about this charge.

Typhoon Repairs.

With reference to a vote of \$7,100 for typhoon and rainstorm damages, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock said:—I notice we are asked to vote \$7,100. That sum is made up by including in the figures the cost of works already approved and, or, awaiting approval. It seems rather to imply that we are going to approve of something we have already approved of. Can you tell us the cost of the work already awaiting approval?

The Colonial Treasurer:—It is very difficult to say.

Hon. Director of Public Works:—These are typhoon damages, and the typhoon which occurred on September 2 resulted in a great deal of damage to piers which had to be repaired immediately.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—But how much of the \$54,000 has not yet been approved?

Hon. Mr. Paterson:—There is quite a lot of work still not finished, but I do not think that that can be blamed on the P.W.D., because the contract appears to have been given to the lowest tenderer who is extremely slow. I live out at Sheung Shui and I pass certain typhoon damage which has not yet been repaired. It was done in the first typhoon, a good long time ago and, incidentally, one gentleman, who repairs the road, puts a few stones down and a great deal of red earth, and the red earth comes out all over the road and the work has to be done again.

Unwanted Contractor.

Hon. Director of Public Works: I think you are referring to a contractor who has been taken off the list. We have had to take the work out of his hands.

Hon. Mr. Paterson:—I am glad of that.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—I want to know how much of the \$54,000 represents work, the cost of which is awaiting approval.

The Chairman:—The \$54,000 has been approved.

Hon. Director of Public Works: The first portion of \$25,000 was in the estimates and the second was approved in Message No. ten.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Then it has all been approved? This has all been sanctioned by the Council?

Hon. Director of Public Works:—Yes.

New Female Prison.

With regard to a vote of \$48,000 for a new female prison at Lai-chi-hok, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock asked: Will the \$48,000 complete the work?

Hon. Director of Public Works:—Yes, it will complete the work. The work is to be finished in February.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Yes, but there is \$71,000 to go in next year.

Hon. Director of Public Works:—The goal is all ready to be opened in February but what these additional items are for I do not know.

Hon. Colonial Treasurer:—I think they got on with the work quicker than was anticipated.

Hon. Director of Public Works:—We shall require \$71,000 for next year. The \$48,000 is the balance we shall require this year and \$71,000 next year. As the Colonial Treasurer has said we have got on more quickly and we shall require the money.

Sir Henry Pollock:—The work will be finished in April?

DON BRADMAN'S ENGAGEMENT.

CHILDHOOD ROMANCE.

A childhood romance has culminated in the engagement, just announced, of Don Bradman, the Australian cricketer, and Miss Jessie Menzies.

As a child Miss Menzies used to stay with the Bradman family at their home at Bowral, where she and her fiancé attended the same school.

Hon. Director of Public Works:—No, February.

Currency Commission.

On a vote for \$35,202 for expenses in connection with the Currency Commission, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall said:—It is stated that salaries and the cost of printing the report are not included in the sum of \$35,202 now asked for. Can you tell us for whom were the salaries paid and the total amount?

The Chairman:—The salaries were not charged to this Government. We do not know what they are. We only know that they have not charged us for them.

The Colonial Treasurer:—The printing report is charged to the Home Government and the salaries. We are not paying anything.

Hon. Mr. Kotewall:—Arising out of this item, can Government, at an early date, make a statement of its intentions with regard to the recommendations of the Commission?

The Chairman:—It will make a statement as early as possible, but I cannot tell you when that will be.

Hon. Mr. Kotewall:—But a statement will be made?

The Chairman:—Certainly, ultimately, but I cannot tell you when it will be made, as it will certainly have to go to England first.

Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackenzie:—Have you asked for the views of the Chamber of Commerce and the Banking Association?

The Chairman:—Yes, but the replies have not yet been received so we do not know how soon it will be.

Under-Estimated Vote.

Referring to a vote of \$2,000 for electric light and fan charges, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock said:—Why is it necessary to pay this additional \$2,000 as a supplementary vote to meet anticipated expenditure?

Hon. Director of Public Works:—The sum of \$28,000 was originally asked for but it was cut down to \$26,000. The control of this vote is not now in the hands of any one particular department, and it is estimated that we shall want another \$2,000 to complete the charges for the year.

Hon. Mr. Kotewall:—In other words the vote was under-estimated?

The Chairman:—Yes.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—The vote was cut down and now you find you want another \$2,000?

Hon. Director of Public Works:—Yes.

All the votes were approved.

CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

All the world's great arts have been mobilized for service in Frank Lloyd's Fox Movietone production, "East Lynne," featuring an all star cast headed by Ann Harding, Clive Brook, Conrad Nagel, Cecilia Loftus, Raynold Mercer, O. P. Heggie and David Torrence. This romantic screen drama suggested by Mrs. Henry Wood's will have its local premiere very soon at the King's Theatre.

History shares honour with the heart interest in "East Lynne." One of the outstanding scenes in this emotional romance is a living reproduction of the historically famous scene of the Emperor with his entire staff at the close of the Franco-Prussian War. Blamark is seen reading famous proclamation stating that the Emperor takes possession of Paris.

Earlier in the production a brief sequence showing the bombardment of Paris by the Prussian forces is enacted. It is during this sweeping scene that Isabel, played by Ann Harding, is snowed under an avalanche of debris from bombarded and falling buildings.

Music, too, plays an important role in "East Lynne." Richard Fall, famous Viennese composer of "The Dollar Princess" and other operettas and compositions, has written an original French martial air, a Viennese schottische and two waltzes. In addition he supervised the playing of famous classic compositions and the singing of "The You'll Remember Me" by Miss Harding.

Joseph Urban, foremost designer and architect of royal palaces and many of New York's finest structures, personally supervised the designing and construction of the sets in "East Lynne." These settings are representative of various moods of life in London, East Lynne, Vienna and Paris.

Sophie Wachner, America's foremost costume designer, the woman whose creations set the style for Hollywood's stars, supervised the making of no less than 50 different dresses and gowns worn by Miss Harding and 7,893 costumes worn by other characters and "extras" in "East Lynne."

Mrs. Hilda Grenier, former personal attendant for many years to Queen Mary of England, the former Princess Sofia of Germany and other European royal personages, was expert consultant to Director Lloyd during the making of "East Lynne."

"The Great Lover."

What is the best "line" of the greatest lover in this city, known to you?

Think of it, and then compare it to the one used, time and again, by Adolphe Menjou as "The Great Lover," which will come on Sunday to the Queen's Theatre.

A famous French baritone, women trip over each other to kiss Paurel, and always Paurel tells them the same thing: "You are the only woman I have ever met who completely thrills me!" As a "line" he knows but that it may be equally efficacious in...?

Associated with Menjou in the production, directed by Harry Beaumont, is a great cast, including Irene Dunne of "Camaro," Ernest Torrence, Neil Hamilton, Buchanan, Cliff Edwards, Hale Hamilton and Roscoe Arns.

"The Great Lover" was adapted by Gene Markay and Edgar Allan Woolf from the play by Leo Ditrichstein and Frederick and Fanny Hamilton.

"The Sea God."

Richard Arlen's activities as a motion picture player have taken him from thousands of feet above the earth to fathoms below the ocean's surface.

It was the air epic, "Wings," that started Arlen on the way to stardom. While that picture was being filmed, he was in the air every working day for several weeks.

In his role as a diver in Paramount's "The Sea God," he spent much time on the ocean floor under several fathoms of water.

Of the two extremes, Arlen says he prefers the air.

"It is an uncanny experience to be wandering about with the fish down on the ocean's floor," he declared.

"And when the heavy diving helmet was fastened over my head, I felt as though I were being sealed in a tomb. It was a tremendous relief to come up into the air and get out of the cumbersome outfit."

"However, the submarine sights were intensely weird and interesting, and I wouldn't have missed the experience for anything."

For Arlen plays the feminine lead opposite Arlen in "The Sea God" with Eugene Pallette having another featured role.

George Abbott directed this adventure tale of lovers who find happiness after an amazing series of adventures on and near cannibal isle. It is showing at the Central Theatre now.

Blanche Sweet Returns to Pictures. After a long absence from the screen, Blanche Sweet, a favourite since the early days of motion pictures, is staging a comeback in talkies. She will be seen and heard in "Show Girl in Hollywood," the first National and Vitaphone picture, which is showing at the Queen's Theatre.

Appropriately enough, Miss Sweet's role is that of a famous film star, Alice White star of "Show Girl in Hollywood," plays the part of Dixie Dugan. Jack Mulhall appears as a dialogue writer, and Ford Sterling as a producer.

Blanche Sweet made her first stage appearance at the ripe age of eighteen months. She was carried on as a babe in arms in melodrama. Grown up, she appeared with Chauncey Olcott and Gertrude Hoffman. Her first screen part was as one of the wives in "The Man With Three Wives," D. W. Griffith's "Judith of Bethulia," she scored her first screen triumph, and in the title role of the late Thomas Ince's "Anna Christie" she achieved what was considered one of the finest portrayals in screen history.

With Marshall Nellan, whom she later married, she was starred in many pictures including "The House of Discard" and "Men and Women." One of her last silent pictures was "The New Commandment."

"Show Girl in Hollywood" gives her an opportunity for a highly dramatic portrayal. The story is a comedy, but filled with many real-life tragedies and heart-breaks of those who seek success in the movies. John Miljan, Virginia Sale, Lee Shumway and Herman Bing are in the cast. Mervyn LeRoy directed.

The story is by J. P. McEvoy and contains beautiful Technicolor musical sequences.

How Tilden Keeps Fit

William (Big Bill) Tilden was decidedly little Bill when he won his first tournament match. At the ten-year age of seven, one year after he started the game that made him famous, Tilden walked off with first honours in a junior boys' meet in the Catskill mountains, New York. Tilden says he has saved that cup as his most cherished treasure.

"Two things got me started," says the veteran champion of the courts. "My brother was a mighty good player and Fred B. Alexander the

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended December 10th 1910.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 18. 10.15/100.

Mr. L. Ronald Needham was admitted a solicitor at the Supreme Court.

There was a great demonstration at the Chinese Club on the occasion of the formal inauguration of the Anti-Quee Society.

The first part of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway was opened.

Mr. J. M. Alves was honoured with the diploma of Chevalier of the Order of San Sylvester.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse was appointed to act as Deputy Superintendent of Police during the absence of Mr. F. W. Lyons.

great doubles champion, had a summer home near ours in the mountains. Watching him play, gave me the urge to reach his heights in the game. As a little fellow, I spent every day on the courts.

Tilden who has won more tennis championships than any man in the world, and who is now making a series of educational pictures for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, says he went into every tournament possible from the age of seven.

"Constant competition developed my game a lot, and then a rather odd circumstance arose that made me figure out the problems of the court on a purely scientific basis. At Germantown Academy near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, I played in the tennis team and the year after I left school, the captain of the team asked me to come back and help coach. I did it for the love of the game, and for the training that proved the most valuable I ever had."

"The younger members of the team fired so many questions at me that I found I didn't have answers for the lot of them. That drove me to an intensely scientific study of the game."

"I went about figuring out the game as a problem in geometry and physics. The game is primarily a geometric and physical one. I drew up charts on a geometric basis in order to answer the questions of attack and defence. The very charts were to be the foundation of my game. From then on, I treated the whole matter as a series of problems."

"Contrary to the general opinion, I had no professional coaching. I observed great players, how they made their strokes and serves, and kept overhauling at it. I made it a point to be in every tournament that came up. It is actual competition more than anything else that makes a good player—that, and the study of the game on a mathematical basis."

"To play in the national championships was a natural outgrowth of smaller competitions and then came international tournaments. Keeping in top form was then just a matter of playing constantly. It is just the same now that I am making pictures. I play at every opportunity."

While Tilden is at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios, he is keeping trim playing exhibition matches in Los Angeles and Santa Barbara, California.

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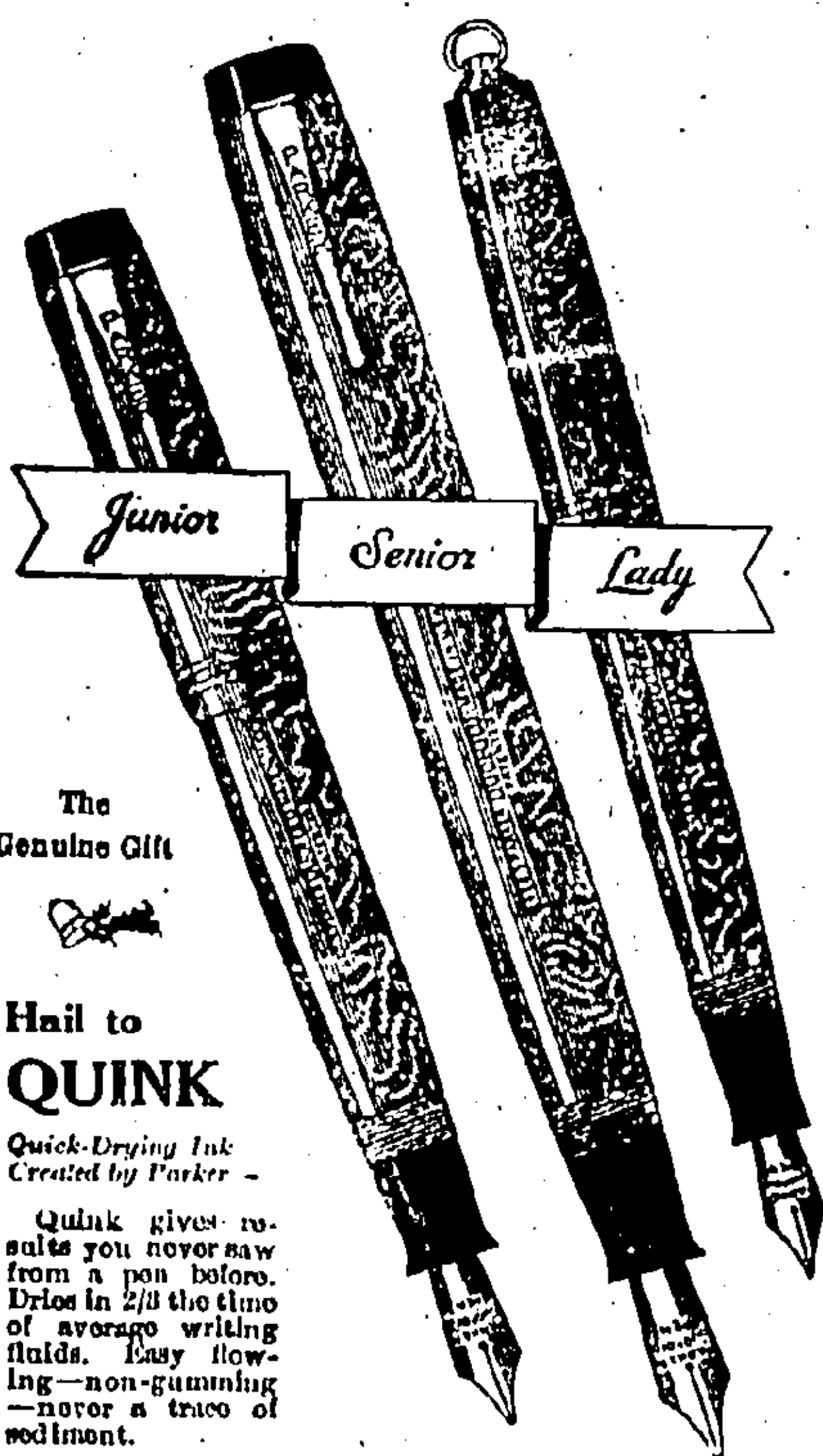
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SOUND FINANCES.

There was a large attendance of members at the annual meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, held in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., yesterday, when Mr. A. B. Stewart, outgoing captain, presided, and was supported by Mr. G. S. Archbutt (past-captain), Mr. L. G. S. Dodwell (Captain-elect), Col. Matthews (Secretary) and members of the committee.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts said:

Captain's Speech.

Gentlemen,—The report and accounts having been in your hands for the prescribed period I propose with your permission to take them, together with the Auditor's report, as read.

I am glad to be able to report a very satisfactory year's working. The accounts are as usual set out in considerable detail but a few comments may be of interest.

Expenses have not increased materially except in regard to the upkeep of the various courses. At Happy Valley the two greens in front of the clubhouse, Nos. 6 and 9, had to be relaid as also had No. 4. At Deep Water Bay, most of the matting tees, which are expensive, had to be renewed. The same applies to the matting tees which were blown down in the typhoon. It is proposed to experiment shortly with some less expensive form of matting for tees and a suggestion to replace the matting tees by more permanent structures is also under consideration. In this connection, I'd like to thank Mr. W. A. Butterfield for his great assistance to the Deep Water Bay sub-committee in connection with these and similar matters. At Fanling, a great deal of top dressing was done during the summer months.

Insignificant Bad Debts.

As regards revenue, subscriptions are up due to increased membership. Green fees were raised during the year but are still on the low side compared with similar charges at other clubs. Demand for lockers has increased and more are being provided this year. The return from Lodging A/c at Fanling shows an improvement which I hope will continue.

As regards Meals, Wines etc., the turnover, owing to the low dollar, shows an increase of 33.1/2% with a corresponding increase in profit, percentages remaining approximately the same as before.

Turning to the F. and L. A/c you will note that the amount of Bad Debts is again insignificant, a loss of only \$20.71 on a turnover of \$209,099.20 being remarkable and reflecting great credit on the Secretary's office.

The special item of \$35.30 represents a loss due to the efforts of an enterprising gentleman who visited Happy Valley and Deep Water Bay and signed cheques in a certain member's name to that amount. The fraud was fortunately discovered before it had gone very far and the perpetrator paid the penalty, but not the clits, in due course.

The Balance Sheet.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, you will note that Debentures to the value of \$20,000 were redeemed during the year and the amount outstanding including accrued interest is now only \$2,682.00. It was considered advisable to write off to Reserve A/c the cost of the New Course Extension and Gun Club site as these cannot be regarded as assets. The latter was resumed by Government when the consolidated lease of the ground at Fanling, referred to later, was arranged.

Capital expenditure during the year amounted to \$36,835.57, made up as follows:

Fanling New Course Extension etc.	\$11,377.96
Less net amount recovered from Govt. for cost of land	8,352.62
	3,025.34

Happy Valley New Clubhouse, and Furniture	28,621.23
New Mower—less sales	4,207.50
Sundry Items	581.50
	\$36,835.57

Satisfactory Position.

Due to this necessary expenditure and the repayment of Debentures our Bank overdraft at 30/9/31 amounted to \$24,085.10. The Club's financial position however, must be regarded as very satisfactory as at the close of the year our Liquid assets, consist-



ing of Stocks, Accounts Receivable, and Cash amounted to \$41,760.05 against liabilities, consisting of Debentures, Sundry creditors and Bank overdraft, \$30,006.38 leaving a surplus of \$4,753.27.

Before concluding my remarks on the Accounts I would like to take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to the Ladies Section for their kindness in providing new Curtains, Cretonnes etc., for the main room in the Fanling Ladies Clubhouse, and the upstairs room at Deep Water Bay. I'm sure you will agree that the improved appearance of the rooms is most noticeable.

Some Outstanding Events.

The year under review, like its predecessor, has been one of considerable and varied activity. Outstanding events were:

1. Formal opening of New Course by H. E. the Governor on 2nd November, referred to by the Capt. in his speech at last year's meeting.

2. Opening of new Happy Valley Clubhouse which, I am pleased to say, has resulted in increased play and additional revenue.

3. The signing of a consolidated lease for all the ground occupied by the Club at Fanling. The position is now clear and simple, whereas previously we held leases over certain parts of the land and owned other old lots.

4. We had a visit from two famous professionals, Cruickshank and McIlhenn, and a large number of members and others took advantage of the opportunity to see what an easy game golf really is to experts. While on this subject, I may mention that Larry Montes, a well-known professional is here for the winter season.

He is a first-class player and teacher and I hope members will take full advantage of the opportunity to acquire further knowledge of the art of Golf.

Caddie Scheme Success.

5. Caddie Registration Scheme. As you know this has been discussed in previous years, but for various reasons, the necessary action has never been taken. The present Committee, after considerable discussion, came to (Continued on Page 12.)

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the conclusion that action could be postponed no longer and our thanks are due to Mr. L. G. Dodwell for getting down to brass tacks and producing a workable scheme which is now in operation.

The Caddies did not take kindly to the new arrangements at first, but the scheme is now a definite success and a great improvement on the previous state of affairs. Let me add that only by complete co-operation and scrupulous observance by all members of the rules and regulations, will it continue to be so. In this connexion, I wish to thank the Kowloon-Canton Railway for their assistance in granting special fares for the caddies sent out from Happy Valley when those at Fanling were not available.

As regards the course, a great deal of top dressing was done during the summer and notwithstanding the excessive moisture and lack of sunshine I think you'll agree that these are in excellent condition. The New Course has come on remarkably well and is proving very popular with members.

Appreciation.

I wish to express my thanks to the members of the outgoing Committee for their assistance and co-operation during the year. I have already referred to Mr. Dodwell's labours in connexion with the caddie registration scheme and I would like also to mention Mr. Lambert who has done a lot for the Club in a quiet way, particularly in connexion with the supervision of our various motors and mowers and also in regard to our lighting system. As you know, the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., have extended their system to Fanling and it is hoped that current will be available in the near future. To conform with the regulations, the Club-houses have had to be rewired at considerable cost but the more expensive alternative was to renew our batteries and accumulators which are almost worn out.

Groundsman's Work.

I would also like to put in a word of appreciation of the work of Mr. and Mrs. Kerr. The condition of the courses is a tribute to the constant care and attention given to them by Kerr, who has also assisted in every possible way in connexion with the new Caddie scheme. Mrs. Kerr deserves great credit for the most efficient and successful way in which she has looked after the catering Dept. In this connexion, I might explain that the profit on meals at Fanling as shown, \$8,857.13, is gross and after deducting relative overheads, the balance remaining is small. It is due to Mrs. Kerr's economical management that notwithstanding the increase in price of most commodities, we have been able to keep the price of the principal meal at Fanling, tiffin, at the low figure of 1.50.

Efficient Secretary.

Last but by no means least comes the Secretary, who has been of the greatest possible assistance to me during my year of office. The ordinary member has little idea of the great amount of detail work that has to be dealt with in the Secretary's office. I particularly like to thank Col. Matthews for his time and trouble he took in connexion with the Caddie Registration Scheme and its success is due, in no small measure, to his efforts. He goes on leave next year and I am glad to say has accepted another engagement for a period of four years from March 1932. I might mention that the work of the Secretary's office would be considerably reduced if members would only take the trouble to read the new book of Rules and Regulations issued during the year. This provides answers to a great number of the enquiries which members continue to address to the office.

No Rebuilding Yet.

You may remember that in his speech at last year's meeting Mr. Archibut referred to the question of rebuilding the men's clubhouse at Fanling. In view of the heavy capital expenditure during the year under review to which I have already referred the present Committee has taken no action in the matter.

The incoming Committee may however, consider the time opportune to

give this problem further consideration.

The proposal to add another storey to the ladies clubhouse is also a matter for future discussion. At present the accommodation available is insufficient to meet the demand. Plans were prepared some time ago but the problem is mainly a financial one.

Ladies Subscription.

In the opinion of the present Committee, we are approaching the point where limitation of membership may have to be seriously considered. In this connexion, it may interest members to know that we have on our books the names of over 400 ladies of whom approximately one third are "unattached" and the remainder "lady relatives" of members. Having in view the congested state of the courses and the future developments already outlined, I am of opinion that it would be only reasonable for ladies to pay something for the privileges they enjoy. A subscription of say \$1 p.m. for "lady relatives" and \$2 for "unattached" ladies wouldn't hurt anybody. There are, no doubt many lady members who seldom use the courses. In such cases they could register as "non-playing" members and pay a green fee of \$1 when the course is used. I am not arguing this matter primarily on financial grounds but on the principle that "something for nothing" isn't a reasonable arrangement. Shanghai and Singapore take this view and I was interested to learn the other day that our friends in Kowloon are of like mind. As you know, this proposition has been discussed on previous occasions and turned down but with the continued increase in the number of "lady members" I suggest to the incoming Committee that a meeting be called to reconsider the position.

I now propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts for the Year ending 30th September, 1931. After this has been seconded, I shall be glad to reply to any questions arising out of the accounts which Members may wish to ask.

Remarkable Results.

Mr. E. Davidson seconded the adoption of the report, in the course of which he said that such a report as presented to them that day needed no recommendation from anybody. The results were very remarkable in view of the widespread depression all over the world, and in addition, when they remembered that the Dollar in Hongkong had fallen to an extremely low figure during the year. He considered that the contrast between the figure representing bad debts and the total turnover was not only a tribute to the Secretary's office, but to the members themselves on the ready way they had paid.

The New Captain.

The Chairman then proposed the election of Mr. L. G. S. Dodwell as captain of the club for the ensuing year. The result was unanimous. Mr. Dodwell had served on the committee for some considerable time past and had intimate knowledge of the club's affairs, which was a most necessary qualification for the post of captain. He had already referred to his services in connexion with the Caddies' Registration Scheme, and in that, and other matters, his service had been of great value to the club.

Mr. G. S. Archibut seconded, and said he had much pleasure in cordially endorsing Mr. Dodwell's remarks. Mr. Dodwell was unanimously elected captain, and in acknowledgment he said that he much appreciated the honour and he would be happy to do his best to carry on the excellent work of his predecessors.

Other Officers.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were appointed auditors for the ensuing year.

The following were then elected to serve as general committee:—Messrs. G. S. Archibut, D. G. Bruce, E. Davidson, J. W. Frank, L. S. Greenhill, H. U. Ireland, J. D. Kinnaird, C. D. Lambert, and A. B. Stewart.

The Ladies' Question.

Mr. E. Davidson raised the question of introducing a subscription for lady members, and said he wished to

MAMAK HOCKEY.

COMPETITION MATCH ON SUNDAY NEXT.

The following will represent the 'Incognitos' against the Central British Association in the Mamak Hockey Competition on Sunday, at 10.30 a.m. at the C.B.A. ground at King's Park: A. Eca da Silva; F. M. Silva, A. Rodriguez; A. Beltrao, W. Reed, F. Barros; C. Barros, O. E. I. de Sousa, E. Reed, R. Reed and J. A. de V. Soares.

Club Second v. Y.M.C.A.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club second eleven against the Y.M.C.A. on the Club ground on Monday, 14th instant, at 6 p.m.:

E. S. Moses, L. A. R. Duncan, L. E. Nicholson, G. F. Rees, E. G. S. Dale, A. A. R. Botelho, L. D. Kibbe, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, R. H. D. Wade and E. C. Fincher.

LAI WAH CUP GAME.

ARMY ELEVEN FOR MATCH AGAINST CIVILIANS.

The side to represent the Army in their match against the Civilians on the Sookmoo ground to-morrow afternoon at 3.45 p.m. has been selected and is composed of the following players:

Pte. Hastie (Argyll and S. H.); Pte. Blackburn (Argyll and S. H.); Pte. Morrison (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Mc Clellan (Argyll and S. H.); Cpl. Hay (Argyll and S. H.); Cpl. Underwood (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Harris (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Davis (S. W. Borderers); Pte. Wyllie (Argyll and S. H.); Cpl. Lamont (Argyll and S. H.); Pte. Hughes (Argyll and S. H.).

Reserves: Sig. Gillot (Royal Corps of Signals), Pte. Ianson (R.A.M.C.), Privates Johnson, Morton, Channing, Jones, and Fodmore (S. W. Borderers), Privates Docherty, Gordon, Reid and Campbell (Argyll and S. H.).

propose for recommendation to the new committee that the feeling of the meeting was that the committee should take steps to make a charge for ladies using the clubhouse and courses.

Mr. D. G. Bruce seconded, and Mr. C. Dalmer Johnson said that although he was always accused of talking on a subject of which he knew nothing, that he was entirely in agreement with the proposition, and he thought the married men were as well. At the same time he would like to know whether, if such steps were taken, it would entail the ladies attempting to rule the club.

The Chairman said that if such steps as suggested were taken, the ladies section would be asked to form a sub-committee and it would act like all sub-committees, making recommendations to the general committee, but otherwise would have no voice in the management of the club. The proposition was put to the meeting and carried without dissension.

Tribute to Secretary.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon said as a private member he would like to add an expression of appreciation to the service of Col. Matthews, their Secretary. Few members realised the great amount of work involved in running three courses so smoothly as they were, while Col. Matthews always succeeded in making suitable arrangements for the transfer of caddies and clubs from one course to another. In his humble opinion, the tributes paid by the chairman to Col. Matthews were richly deserved.

Mr. J. D. Danby proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing captain, committee and sub-committees for all the excellent work they had accomplished during the year. This was carried with acclamation.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. for the use of the Board Room, which was proposed by the Chairman.

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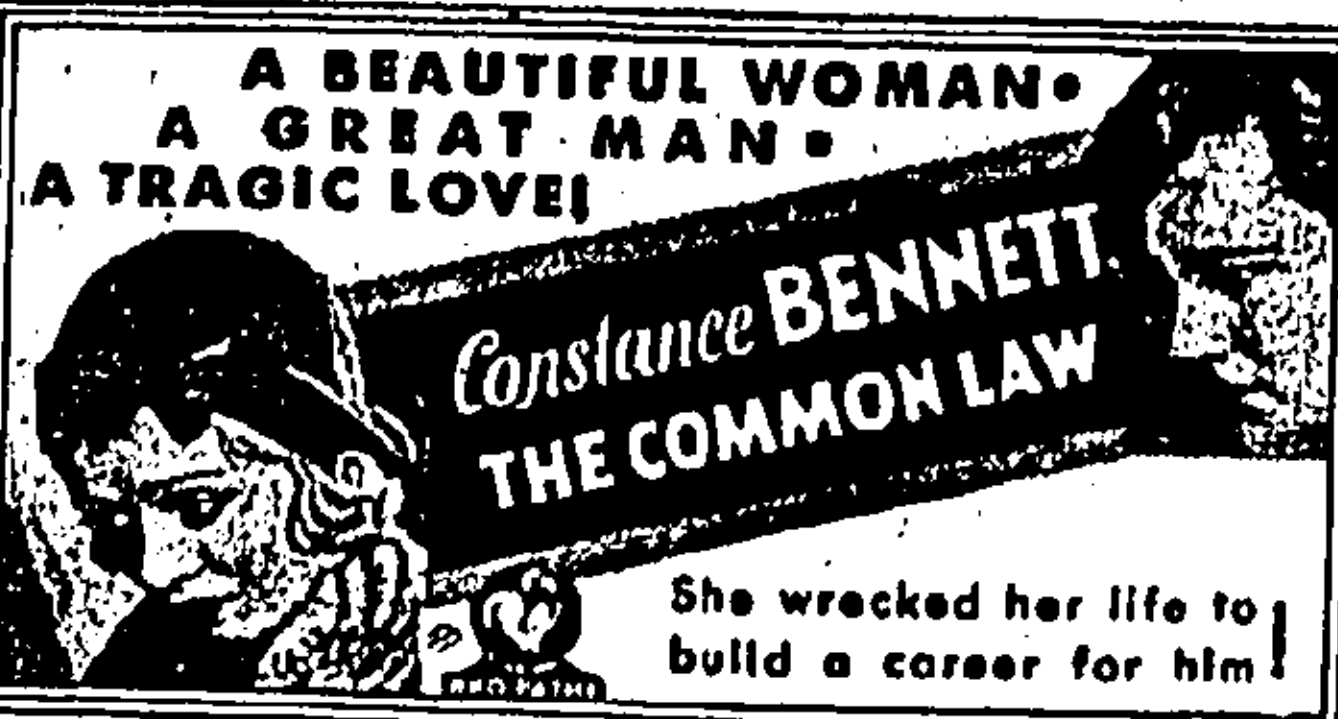
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Scheme, (5) \$770,000 on the Vehicular Ferry, and (6) \$300,000 on the new gaoi at Wong Ma Kok, the sum in each case to be met from a future loan, and meanwhile to be charged as an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony.

In moving their adoption, the Colonial Secretary said:

With the permission of this Council, Sir, I should like to refer to the first motion standing in my name, together with the five motions following. Honourable Members will remember that when I had the honour of introducing the Budget I referred in some detail to the amounts which were to be spent from loan funds on various works referred to in these six motions, but I do not think that Honourable Members will wish me to take up their time by repeating now the details which I gave them then.

I have only to add, with regard to the last of these motions referring to the new gaoi at Wong Ma Kok, that Your Excellency has since received the approval of the Secretary of State for meeting the expenditure of the new gaoi from loan funds. I now move the first motion standing in my name.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

To Complete Work.

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Before this motion is put to the meeting I should like to ask, with reference to motions now one, three and four, whether the amounts voted will complete the work, that is the Shing Mun Valley first section, the Aberdeen Water Scheme and the filters in connexion with the Shing Mun Valley Scheme.

Hon. Director of Public Works:—Yes.

His Excellency:—It will complete the first section in all three cases.

Hon. Director of Public Works:—Yes.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—I do not know whether it would be possible for Government to make any statement with regard to the future progress of the work, with regard to the second section of the Shing Mun Scheme.

Vital to Colony.

His Excellency:—The position with regard to the second section is that the scheme has been submitted to a Consulting Engineer, and two members of the Firm have been out and have approved of it. The question was referred to the Secretary of State in the first instance, and it was held over temporarily for that report. He expressed some views on the subject as to whether we could afford the total cost. It is a very expensive scheme but I strongly pointed out, in a dispatch which included reference to the gaoi, that not only was it an essential work, vital to the Colony, but that I considered our financial position was amply good enough to permit of the scheme being proceeded with at once.

In the telegram in which the Secretary of State approved of the gaoi being paid for out of loan funds, he merely stated, with regard to the second section of the scheme, that we must wait a little. I assume, therefore, from that, that if the second report is favourable, we shall be empowered to proceed with it.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Thank you, Sir.

All the motions were passed on the proposal of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Colonial Treasurer.

Liquor Ordinance.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to intoxicating liquors." He said:—There is attached at the end of the Bill a table of correspondence which shows how far the Bill is purely of a consolidating nature, and how far it has been improved by amendments. The chief new amendments are the new warehouses for the storage of intoxicating liquors under the old Ordinance will not be continued, but arrangements will be made by which firms who desire to store liquor may get a special bonded warehouse of their own approved by the Governor-in-Council. There are certain changes in the duties and certain new re-arrangements of the districts to which they apply, as stated in remarks in the schedule on pages 49 and 50.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Public Revenue.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "A Bill to amend the Public Revenue Protection Ordinance, 1927." He said:—This adds to the principal Ordinance a new section which is taken from the Finance Act of 1915 as explained in the memorandum.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Patents Ordinance.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "A Bill to amend further the registration of United Kingdom Patents Ordinance, 1925." He said:—The amendments effected by this Ordinance have been suggested by the advisers to the Secretary of State and are explained in the memorandum attached to the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Tobacco Taxation.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to the taxation of tobacco." He said:—This is another consolidation ordinance, and follows the scheme under which it is hoped before long to consolidate all revenue ordinances.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Tote Taxation.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "A Bill to make provision for the taxation of bets on the authorised totalisators or pari-mutuels, and on contributions or subscriptions towards authorised cash sweeps." He said:—Such taxation has been imposed in the Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States, under which a flat rate of five per cent is charged as duty. Under this Ordinance five per cent will only be charged in relation to cash sweeps, and three per cent for tickets on the totalisator and pari-mutuels. The Ordinance contains a schedule giving the regulations with which the Governor-in-Council is hoping to start.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

A Bill to amend the Full Court Ordinance, 1912, was read a second and third time and passed, while "A Bill to amend the Suitors' Funds Ordinance, 1896," was read a third time and passed.

Adjournment.

His Excellency:—Council stands adjourned until next Thursday, December 17.

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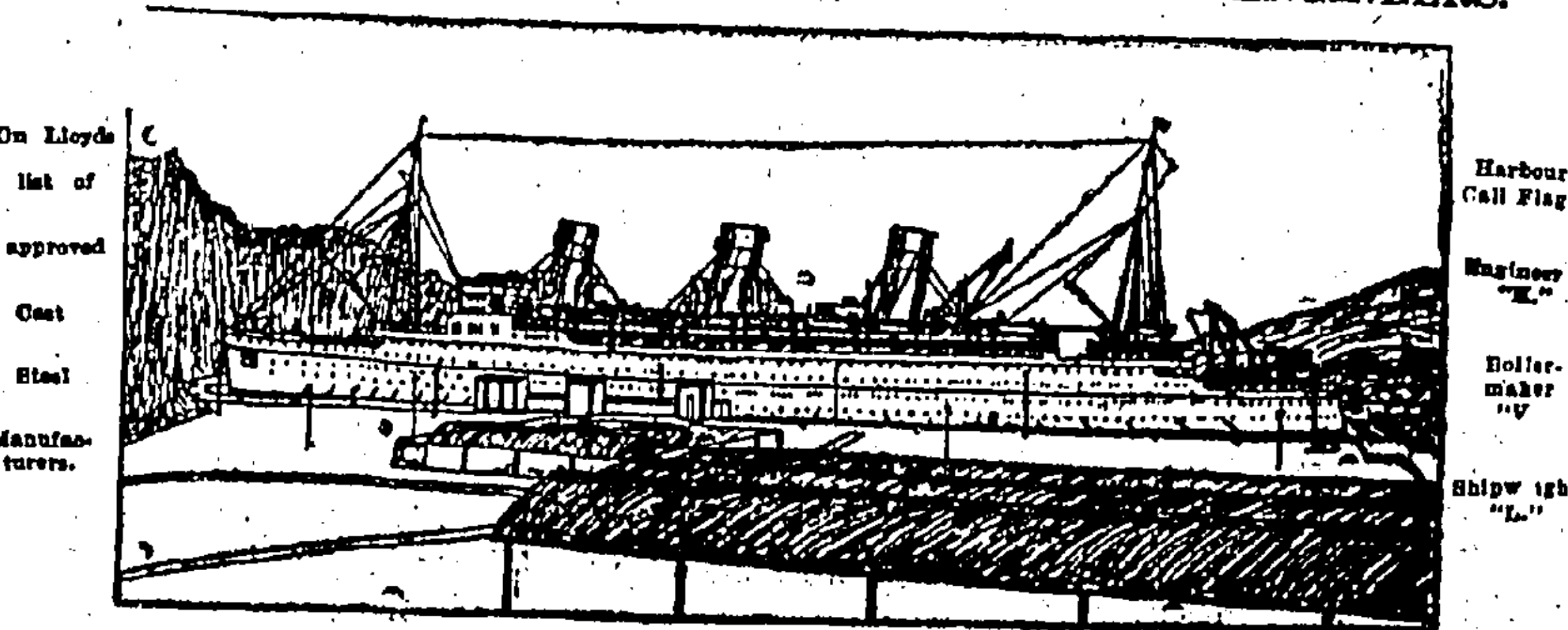
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fascinating charm.

Henceforward two lipsticks—of
different shades—will be required
for a really smart appearance.
By pencilling one lip an interest-
ing pink and the other a fascinat-
ing crimson some Frenchwomen
hope to invest their mouths with
a new and arresting piquancy.

So far two shades of the same
colour have made their appearance
in fashionable night clubs and
upon the Champs Elysees, but the
possibility of introducing two
strongly contrasted colours for the
two lips is said to be under con-
sideration.

If this were done one might ex-
pect to see women whose upper
lips match their hats, while the
lower lips match their handbags.
Green and brown, pink and blue,
and even silver and gold are sug-
gested here to-day as feasible
combinations. Naturally, the

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Should Ludgate-circus be award-
ed "the Devil's Prize for Sheer
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Mr. George Mansell, who read
a paper to the Royal Society of
Arts on Nov. 1 thinks it should.

Other criticisms by Mr. Mansell
of London streets were:
St. George's Hospital, on a site
it would be hard to better, has
gathered to itself such a collection
of tins, collecting boxes, signs,
boards, and advertisements as
beggars description.

Westminster Hospital, with the
Abbey at its right hand, has made
of its front a sort of "jumble sale"
effect, more in keeping with a
small parish hall mentality than
that of a great hospital placed in
the heart of the Empire.

Mr. Mansell urged that there
was an urgent need for "cultured
central control, such as the London
County Council, to say what our
street signs should be—and have
done with it."

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BANKER'S LOCAL ESTATE.

LEAVES \$213,700 IN
HONGKONG.

The late Mr. Angus Boyd, formerly of Windghoul, Dublin, Scotland, who died at Chelston Den, Maitland Crescent, Colombo, Ceylon, on January 23, 1931 left Hongkong estate to the value of \$213,700, while personal estate and effects in England and Scotland total £3,432 19s. He was an ac-
countant in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Re-
sealing of testament-testamen-
tar of Unquille of the will has been granted to Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master who is attorney for the widow, Hilda Grace Bawtree, or Boyd, the sole executrix named in the will and to whom everything is bequeathed.

Hongkong estate worth \$46,700 was left by the late Li Lin-tai, alias Li Yu-chung, alias Li Ngok-hing, alias Li San Tong, late of No. 7, Queen Victoria Street, who died at No. 44, Nga Yiu Hau Street, Canton, on July 21, 1930. Letters of administration with the will annexed have been granted to Li Lin-shi, widow, and Li Shin-sing, son, both of whom are living at the Queen Victoria street ad-
dress. Testator directs that the estate be handed over to them to administer with full power.

Administration has been granted in the estate of the late Cheung Tinsung, late of No. 32, Main Street, Shaohkwan East, who died in the French Hospital, Causeway Bay, on February 13, 1931. Pro-
bate has been granted to the widow, Tsang Chuen-tai. The will con-
tains a number of family bequests.

MANCHURIA.

(Continued from Page 1.)

borating in the efforts of the League.

The Latin-American dele-
gates were at pains to
emphasize that the resolution
dealt with exceptional and
complex circumstances and
should not be regarded as a
precedent.

The meeting terminated at
6.25 p.m.—*Reuter*.

Influence of League.

London, Dec. 10.

Speaking in London to-day, the
Foreign Minister, Sir John Simon,
said in reference to the Manchurian
situation that if anybody doubted
the reality of the influence of the
League, let him consider what the
position might have been if there
had not been a calling together of
the Council, with both Chinese and
Japanese representatives present.—
British Wireless.

YANGTZE SHIP EXPLOSION.

VESSEL TOWED INTO
SHANGHAI.

OVER 20 KILLED.

Shanghai, Dec. 8.
Captain C. Opperman, master of
the m.v. I-tu of the Yangtze
Rapid Steamship Co., is warmly
commended for his courage and
action during the recent disaster
to the vessel in messages received
by the company yesterday.

The vessel, which was badly
damaged in an explosion and a
blaze about 100 miles below Chung-
king, is being towed in to-day by
the Ichang, operated by the same
company.

The toll of the disaster is known
to be 27. Three of them were en-
gineers killed in the explosion in
the engine room, while the remain-
der were Chinese passengers who
trapped aft of the engine room by
flames, jumped overboard and were
drowned.

The fire spread so quickly that in
about 25 minutes the upperworks
were a roaring furnace. Captain
Opperman soon beached the ship
and all the passengers and crew,
except the 20 panic-stricken Chinese
who jumped overboard, were trans-
ported ashore by sampans.

The passengers, carrying light
luggage were taken to Yam Tu Chi
and lodged in a temple. Rumours
were soon rampant that the for-
eigners had been held as prisoners
and until \$50,000 ransom was paid
they would not be allowed to leave
the temple. These soon died away
with the arrival of the native
Catholic Priest, the village rich
man and a philanthropist.

The village rich man offered the
room of his house to the foreigners,
who stayed there the next day.

The officers and crew of the
U.S.S. Tutuila all showed splendid
work in combatting the fire and
later salvaging the vessel.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED
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The following cable at the close
of the sugar market yesterday
has been received by Messrs. Pen-
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New York Terminals.

March 1932 1.07 no change.
May 1932 1.11 no change.
July 1932 1.17 no change.
September 1932 1.24 no change.
December 1931 1.02 down 2 pts.

THE TOOTING NUISANCE.

SEVERAL DRIVERS IN
COURT.

Mention was made during the
hearing of traffic summonses before
Mr. Grantham this morning regard-
ing the nuisance created by the
unnecessary blowing of horns,
particularly in Pedder Street where
residents complained of being dis-
turbed at night.

Cautions were administered in a
number of cases.

Sergt. Guild, prosecuting a lorry
driver, said the man, in addition
to having a load of vegetables, had
12 passengers. He was sounding
his horn incessantly as he traversed
the short distance between Statue
Square and Ullmann's store before
being pulled up.

A total of \$10 in fines was im-
posed in this case.

Summoning a public car driver
for dangerous driving, Inspector
Alexander said the man drove out
of Morrison Street into the Praya,
swung round the policeman on duty
and got on to the wrong side of
the road, narrowly missing witness
who was proceeding westwards on
motorcycle patrol.

Defendant as fined \$15.

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her hearers with four songs, while
Mrs. J.H. Hunt entertained with
some amusing monologues. Mrs.
Portallion selected two of her best
numbers and sang them with great
verve and effect. Mr. Rupert Bal-
win, A.T.C.L., was at the piano,
and in addition to assisting
Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpam in accom-
panying the vocalists, rendered a
selected number to open the pro-
gramme.

The final part of the evening was
devoted to a one-act play, cleverly
performed by Mrs. G.R. Leib, Mrs.
E.W. Niblet and Miss R.F. Ingram.
They repeated "Between the Soup
and the Savoury", which they pre-
sented with such signal success at
the Kowloon Union Church recent-
ly. They were very warmly re-
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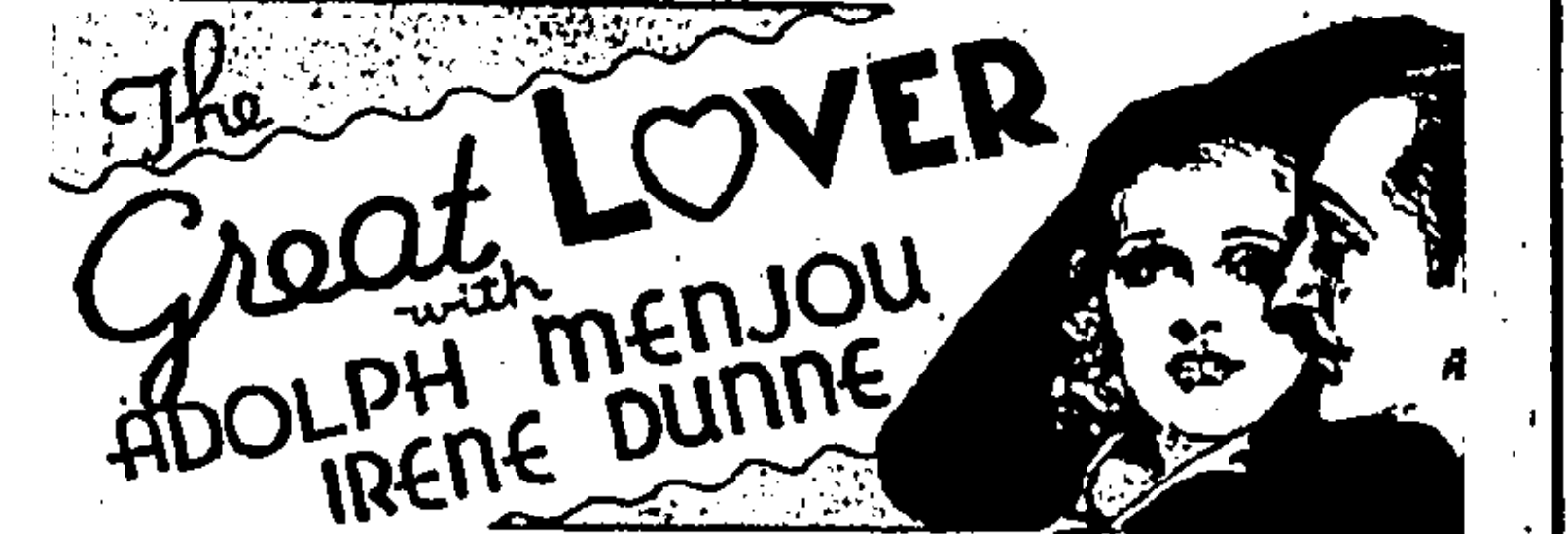


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Court from her husband, who is
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married for 52 years.

"This is rather dreadful," said
Mr. Justice Bateson when told
the age of the parties and how
long they had been married.

The petitioner, Mrs. Elizabeth
Margaret McCormick, West-parade,
Boxhill-on-Sea, alleged cruelty by
her husband, William Abraham
McCormick. He denied any
cruelty.

Counsel said that Mr. McCor-
mick was a Plymouth Brother, and
was understood to have religious
scruples about separation.

In granting the separation
decreed Mr. Justice Bateson said
it was ridiculous and rather dread-
ful that elderly people like those
in the case could not settle their
differences without coming to
court.

An Old Man's Violence.

Mrs. McCormick, he said, was
frail, and her husband was a man
of considerable vigour, not only in
speech, but in his actions. As he
grew older he got more violence
into his methods.

"I have not the slightest doubt
that the wife was frightened of
her husband and he seems to have
got more and more frightening as
he has got older," the judge
continued.

In 1926 the wife was injured
by a pen and was pushed against
the stair banisters. She was so
frightened that she locked herself
in a room with her daughter.

Then in 1928 Mr. McCormick
hit his wife. "I doubt whether he
meant to hit her, but I don't think
he knows how his violence has
affected his wife," commented the
judge.

Early this year his outbursts
were more numerous and at the
end of March his wife left him.

"It is time," added the judge,
"that the Court interfered to pro-
tect her from his possible (though
maybe unintentional) violence."

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